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RUNAWAY TROLLEY CAR.

By the Accident Three Persons Were Injured.

IT OCCURRED AT WISSAHICKON

The Car Got Away While Going Down a Steep Hill and Despite Plenty of Sand Was Soon Beyond Control, Etc.

CRASHED INTO A BUILDING

PHILADELPHIA, December 26.—Three persons were injured to-day in a runaway trolley car crash on the Roxborough, Chestnut Hill and Norristown road at Wissahickon, the circumstances being strikingly similar to those accompanying the fatal accident on the Wissahickon and Manayunk road last Monday. The injured are: Conductor William Webster, dislocation of left hip, general contusions of the body and limbs and a badly lacerated face; Mortorman William Wolflong, contusions of the left arm and extensive laceration of the scalp; George Dorwart, 7 years old, passenger, compound fracture of his nose.

There were three other passengers on the cars, but they escaped with only slight bruises. While the company will not sustain as much loss as its rival did last week, the damage done outside to a building into which the car crashed at the northwest corner of Ridge avenue and Osborne street will probably foot up to several hundred dollars.

The accident occurred about 6.15 a. m., when it was still dark. The car was No. 7, the first out on Sunday morning. When the car left the depot at Upper Roxborough a fine mist and hail was falling, but as the motorman had little difficulty on the upper end of the line, anticipated no danger when he struck the top of the long half-mile hill that extends from Hermit Lane to Wissahickon Ave. Conductor Webster had, nevertheless, gone to the front platform at Hermit Lane, to be there in case he was needed. There was plenty of sand, but the heavy car got a start, and from that moment gained rapidly to speed.

The men in front labored with all their strength to check it, but by that time the four passengers inside had realized that they were running at an inordinate rate. On a nearly level stretch there they checked the speed a little, but about a square below, in swinging around a curve, the wheels left the rails and the car ran over the paving stones toward the curb and up on the sidewalk, on its way snapping off a giant telegraph pole at the ground, dragging down a sheet iron awning, and finally rounding against the brick wall and bulk window of Samuel T. Banham's cigar store.

When the crash came Motorman Wilfong was hurled some twenty feet from the car and laid in the middle of Osborne st., while the conductor was all but buried in the mass of wreckage on the front platform. The two blend firemen who had hurried escaped to their assistance, Yaecker caring for the mortorman and McGee had extricated the conductor, who was the most seriously hurt and was in great pain.

By that time Mr. Banham, with his brother, Frederick Banham, who, with other residents of the locality, had been wakened by the noise of the crash, arrived on the scene and opened his store to receive the injured.

None of their injuries will result fatally. It was several hours before the damaged car could be extricated from the mass of debris and retracked. Nearly the entire dasher, front platform and vestibule and a part of the roof were wrecked. When the car struck the telegraph pole it was with such force as to turn it half round. Had it not been for the telegraph pole is is likely the building wall would have been partly demolished.

The Weather Bulletin.

My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from December 21 to 25. The next will reach the Pacific coast about the 26th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of the 27th, great central valleys the 28th to 30th and the eastern states the 31st.

A warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about the 26th, great central valleys the 28th, eastern states the 29th. A cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about the 29th, great central valley the 31st, and eastern states the 30th. A cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about the 29th, great central valley the 31st, and eastern states January 2.

The temperature of the week ending January 1 will average generally above the normal, and about the end of December unusually heavy snows north and rains south may be expected.

Four Years After Death.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The Illinois supreme court has handed down a decision in the Orchardson-Merrick marriage annulment case, affirming the decree of nullification granted by the lower court and giving the property to the relatives of Mrs. Merrick.

The case is unique in that the marriage is set aside after one of the contracting parties has been dead almost four years. In 1893 Charles Orchardson, an artist, and at one time socialistic candidate for mayor against the late Carter Harrison, was married to Mrs. Merrick, of Quincy, Ill. Mrs. Merrick, who was over 80 years old, was the possessor of property worth something like $100,000. Orchardson, who was 60 years old, met Mrs. Merrick at a spiritualistic seance in Quincy conducted by Vera Ava, better known as Odelia Disdebar, and (with her help, it is alleged) prevailed upon the aged Mrs. Merrick to marry him and make a will leaving the property to him. Mrs. Merrick died within a year. Shortly after her death Mrs. Merrick's relatives brought suit to have the marriage set aside. The case has been in the courts for over three years. Among the litigants were George Turner of Michigan, and J. Cofield of Denver, Col.

News From Cuba.

HAVANA, December 24.—Captain General Blanco has cabled to the Spanish minister at Washington that Americans have authority to send supplies to the reconcentradoe on the island without paying customs duties.

General Pando, the Spanish commander-in-chief in the field, who, with an escort recently landed on the south coast of Santiago De Cuba, in order, according to the official report, to reconnoiter that part of the island, has not been heard from for five days. It was announced today that he had arrived safely at the City of Santiago De Cuba' but the report was subsequently officially denied, and it was said that the general had attacked the insurgents in that province with strong columns of troops, the enemy accepting battle. Still another report has it that General Pando has arrived at Baire, in the province of Santiago DeCuba.

In that vicinity and in the Bayamo district the insurgents are said to be in force. well armed and supplied with ammunition. They are under the command of Calinto Garcia and Rabi.

Affairs Mixed at Fall River.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 27.—The latest proposition of the operatives and the answer of the manufacturers have again left matters in this city in rather an uncertain condition, although by many the outcome anticipated is an acceptance by the operatives, at least for the present, of the reduction. The proposition is understood to be a compromise between the two factions in the conference committee. It differs from what the manufacturers expected. and is a request for the reduction by half, that is, 5½ per cent, instead of 11 per cent until March 1, when another conference is suggested to consider the questions prevailing at that time.

The answer from the manufacturers, decided upon by the committee this afternoon, is a rejection of the proposition, so that there is nothing for the operatives to do but accept or oppose the reduction. It is now improbable that the operative's conference committee will make any recommendation to the textile unions, but will allow them to act for themselves. The conference committee will meet again to-morrow night and on Thursday night general meetings of the weavers, spinners and carders will be held for final action. The other unions will meet for the same purpose before the close of the week.

It may be doing a good man injustice, but there are people who suspect that the new-found zeal of Senator Teller in behalf of China grows out of alarm lest his silver mines will be a good customer. Mr. Teller is said to be a stockholder in valuable silver mines in Colorado; China, which is now upon a silver basis, buys a great deal of silver from the mines of the United States. And if the European countries get control of China, it goes without saying that the silver standard will soon be replaced by that of gold. Can it be possible, then, that this is the cause of Mr. Teller's anxiety to have the United States send to China a trained diplomat who will assist in preventing European domination there?

INDIANA REPUBLICAN.

They Held a Great Meeting in Indianapolis Tuesday

PRAISE FOR THE ADMINSTRATION

Support the Dingley Law and Declare in Favor of Sound Money on a Gold Basis—This Faith to be Kept.

THE ATTENDANCE WAS SURPRISING

INDIANAPOLIS, December 28.—Five hundred representatives of the republican party of Indiana held a conference here to-day, The unanimity of the party in the state on the proposition that the currency must be reformed was a surprise to many in attendance.

The democrats, it was said, will declare for free silver in their next state platform, and the republicans will, of course, take the opposite ground. Should congress fail to take action looking to currency reform, it was said, the party in this state would go into the state campaign embarrassed and on the defensive from the start.

The chief speakers were United States Senator Charles W. Fairbanks and Governor James A. Mount. Senator Fairbanks paid a high tribute to the president. He said: "In my humble judgment a more patriotic citizen of the republic never graced the chair of the chief executive."

Senator Fairbanks expressed the belief that the Dingley law will prove a blessing and bring prosperity equalled only by the McKinley law itself.

"Some of our democratic friends say it will not raise revenue sufficient for the government—that it is not raising sufficient revenue now. This is true as to the present. Why? Because previous to the enactment of the Dingley law millions and millions of dollars in products made by foreign hands were sent into this country. Foreigners knew the best friend to them was the Wilson bill, and its doom was sealed by the republican congress. After these products, sent to us by the swiftest ships which plow the sea, are consumed, we shall have sufficent revenue from the Dingley bill. The bill will vindicate itself. It will spark more eloquently for itself than any republican can speak for it."

On the subject of currency reform, Senator Fairbanks spoke as follows:

"Our democratic friends say to the old democrats, the republican party will not keep faith with us; when the republicans declared in favor of sound money at St. Louis they did not mean it. The republican party, with McKinley as our leader, intends to keep faith, to preserve the gold standard unimpaired to the American people. The currency question is a great question, and to it the president of the United States and his advisers are addressing themselves with ardor and intelligence. I saw the president but a day before coming here. I asked him if he had any message for the republicans of Indiana, He commissioned me to say to you that he gratefully remembers the encouragement and assistance which the republicans of this splendid state have given him heretofore, and he further said: 'I am going to keep the bond. I am going to vindicate the sound money plank in the St. Louis platform.'

"A party which keeps faith with the American people will, in my judgment, be supported and sustained by them. No party can afford to vary from its platform pledges the width of a solitary hair. At the coming session of congress the currency question will be the great issue and the result uncertain, for unfortunately we have a majority only in the house of representatives. In the senate the free silver democrats, free silver republicans and populists constitute the majority. Whether we can pass through the senate any measure that will commend itself to the conservative judgment of the American people, I cannot say, but I do believe the American people will give us credit for an honest, determined effort, and that effort they will surely witness. If we fail it will not be because of any lack of determination and perseverance in purpose on the part of the republicans in the sent ate."

Old People to Get Married.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Alexander Mellville Bell, the distinguished scientist of Edinburg, Scotland, and the father of Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, will wed Mrs. H. G. Shelby, of Toronto, in this city within the next two weeks. Professor Bell is 78 years of age and Mrs. Shelby 54.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

An Aged Farmer and His Wife Found Murdered in Their Home Near Indiana.

INDIANA, December 26.—Milton Neal and his aged wife were shot to death by an unknown assassin at their home near Jacksonville, nine miles southwest of here, some time during Christmas. Their bodies were found at 9 o'clock that night by their son Harry, who was passing the house. and stopped to pay a Christmas call on his parents. Neal was one of the most prominent and prosperous farmers of the vicinity in which he lived. Officers are to-day scouring the country for the murderer but as yet he has not been apprehended. When young Neal tried to enter his parent's home he found the doors all locked. He forced his way in through the cellar and entering the sitting room a horrible sight met him. On a chair near the window lay the form of his mother, her face entirely blown away. At her feet was all that remained of her husband and a ghastly hole in the middle of his head told the tale of his murder. At his side lay a double-barreled shotgun. the implement of death. All of the walls, ceilings and articles of furniture in the room were spattered with blood and on the ceiling was a good sized dent in which was imbeded a piece of the murdered woman's skull.

For a time there was a suspicion of suicide, but as the facts in the case developed the murder theory gained strength. The woman was killed with bird shot, the husband with buckshot. There were no marks of powder on his face, something which, it is said, would have been impossible to avoid had suicide been committed with a shotgun. There is nothing to indicate that the crime was committed for plunder, as in Mr. Neal's pocketbook a $10 bill and a $20 bill lay on the top of a dresser. The friends say they have a clue upon which they will at once begin work to trace the murderer.

Purpose of Savings Banks.

In Lewin's "History of Saving Banks" occurs the following quotation, indicating the chief object to be kept in mind by those wishing to benefit the poor by helping them to safeguard their small accumulations:

"I do not imagine that there can be any more important end and object of a state than to encourage frugality, and the investment of the savings of the poor, and there is nothing that I should be more tempted so step out of my way to encourage if I were a legislator; but I think the great test and object of whatever investment I provide especially for them must be extreme and perfect certainty. Increase in amount of interest or profit is as nothing as compared to security."

This quotation gives the current idea as to the chief purpose which a savings system should subserve and the great object of the national government in establishing such a system. For realizing this object nothing yet devised can equal postal savings banks, for they make the security to the depositor coextensive with the stability of the government itself. The mutual savings banks of New England are very creditable institutions and probably serve the needs of the persons of small means in those communities as well as any private institutions can. Still, even they will not compare with postal savings banks, either in the convenience they offer to depositors or in security. They would, indeed, play a slightly higher rate of interest to depositors than would a post-office bank, and those seeking the higher interest rate could avail themselves of this advantage. But to most persons of small means this is a very trifling matter as compared with the absolute security which the postal savings system affords.—Chicago Record.

The chief danger to Republicans in States where campaigns are now closing lies in their over-confidence. The Democratic cause is proving so absolutely unpopular and devoid of enthusiasm that there is danger that Republicans will neglect their duty on election day. If the members of the party will realize that this contest is of equal importance of that of last year. In the fact that success this time would give a death-blow to the free-coinage heresy, they will, to a man, go to the polls on election day and see that their neighbors and friends do likewise.

THOSE EASTERN TROUBLES.

China is Becoming Alarmed Over the Situation.

A JAPANESE FLEET IS READY

It is in Close Touch With the British Squadron and a Slow Match May Start a Quick Fire Just Now.

RUSSIA IS KEEPING QUIET

LONDON, December 29.—A special dispatch from Shanghai, dated Tuesday, says:

"It is reported that a Japanese fleet of over twenty warships is waiting near Goto Island, outside Nagaski, fully equipped for war, and only awaiting instructions. This includes the Yashima and the Fuji, two of the finest vessels in the Japanese navy, and the Chen Yuen, that was captured from China.

"The Japanese fleet, it is understood, is acting in close touch with the British squadron under Vice Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, commander-in-chief of the China station.

"Japan will certainly oppose a permanent Russian occupation of Port Arthur. The sudden dissolution of the Japanese diet was owing to the war spirit. It is expected that the Japanese fleet will attempt to prevent the landing of reinforcements from Odessa for the protection of the Russia-Trans-Asiatic railway in Manchuria."

PEKIN, December 28.—The German question is unsettled. China's difficulty is increasing, owing to the uncertainty of the attitude of the powers. Germany's withdrawal from Kiao Chou bay is conditioned in her finding a suitable naval station elsewhere. China is becoming alarmed at the present situation. The government appears to be utterly powerless. No answer has been received from Russia concerning the proposed loan. There are calamitous forebodings connected with the sun's eclipse on the Chinese New Year day.

YOKOHAMA, December 28.—All the members of the cabinet have resigned in consequence of the failure of the premier, Count Matsonkata, to reconstruct that body. The press demands the formation of a very strong ministry to cope with the eastern situation.

WASHINGTON, December 28.—The Japanese minister has not yet been advised of the resignation of the entire cabinet, and he feels that while the resignations may have been tendered, the emperor will not accept them until it becomes apparent that an entirely new cabinet under Marquis Ito can be framed.

Ito has been in private life much of the time since his notable achievements during the China Japan war, and it is not believed he is ready to return to the cabinet. He is strong with all parties, however, and has the people behind him, so that he may again assume the premiership if the emergencies demand it.

The reference in the dispatch to the public sentiment in Japan for a strong ministery, capable of coping with the situation in the east, is one of the first intimations from Japan that she may take a hand in the controversy centering in China.

LONDON, December 29.—A dispatch to the Times from Kobe, Japan, says the dissolution of the diet has greatly augered the political parties. It is probable that the Marquis Ito, former premier, and Count Okuma, a former foreign minister, will form a coalition ministry with a vigorous foreign policy.

The military party is eager for action and extraordinary activity prevails at the military and naval depots and warships are assembling at Magasaki.

The Constantinople correspondent of the Times says that at the last meeting of the ambassadors of the powers, the Russian representative created surprise by proposing Prince George of Greece as governor of Crete.

The Paris correspondent of the Morning Post says:

"Russia has long been negotiating to raise a Chinese loan of £6,000,000 in France to pay the indemnity and secure the Japanese evacuation of Wei Hai Wei. The negotiations were broken off owing to France insisting that the Bank of France should issue the loan and Russia desiring that the Russo-Chinese bank should take the lead. A certain coolness now exists between France and Russia."

Pretty Fancy Work for Sale.

The Misses Carrie and Ursula Bayard have four or five very pretty pieces of fancy work for sale which will make handsome presents for someone.

THOMAS B. SHORTER DEAD.

He Was the Father of James Shorter of Bellefonte.

The following account of the death of Thomas Shorter, father of James Shorter of Bellefonte, is taken from Wednesday morning's Altoona Times:

Thomas B. Shorter, one of the most widely known colored men in Altoona, died yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Two years ago he suffered an attack of pneumonia, and he never fully recovered from its effects. His system, however, had worn out with his advanced years.

Mr. Shorter was born at Barre, Huntingdon county, last June 77 years ago. He received a common school education, and then became a barber. He came to Altoona forty-two years ago, and at various times has had charge of the best shops in the city. He was well known to the older residents. His last shop was in the building he owned, at Eleventh avenue and Sixteenth street, and where he died. He closed it twelve years ago.

Mr. Shorter was one of the most prominent colored figures in this section of the state. He took a great interest in the State Equal Rights league when it was in existence and attended all its conventions, getting quite a reputation over the state. Its last convention was held in 1872. Mr. Shorter was for many years a member of the Masonic fraternity, but was not affiliated with the order at the time of his death. He had for twenty-five years been a member of the African Methodist Episcopal church, and until recently, when incapacitated by old age, was an active Christian.

Deceased was twice married, his second wife being Mary Green, of Bellefonte, who survives him, as do also these children: John H., the barber; and Mrs. Phoebe A. Johnson, of this city, and James, a barber, of Bellefonte. Five grandchildren are living, one of them the well known William Shorter, also a barber, and four great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, in the church on Sixteenth street. Rev. W. N. Young will officiate. The interment will be made in the cemetery at Hollidaysburg.

Lingo Sent Up.

CAMDEN, N. J., December 27.—Francis Lingo, colored, was to-day sentenced to twenty years, five years on each of the two charges of forgery on which he was convicted last Friday, and ten years on the charge of attempted abduction, for which he was tried and convicted to-day. A fine of $3,000 was also imposed, making the full penalty of the law for the three crimes.

Lingo, who has figured prominently in two murder mysteries, was arrested charged with enticing Miss Katherine Berry, of Philadelphia, to New Jersey by means of a forged note and a forged order on the Merchantville postoffice.

The Camden county grand jury to-day found a true bill 'against Eli Shaw, who was charged with the murder of his mother and grandmother.

Miss Herbert Buried.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 24.—Hon. H. A. Herbert and his son-in-law, Mr. Benjamin Micou and Mrs. Micou reached here this morning at 10 o'clock in a private car on the delayed Washington Express. They brought the remains of Miss Herbert for interment here to-day: A large number of relatives and friends were waiting at the station for the arrival of the train.

The casket was in a private car and was covered with large numbers of most beautiful emblems. The remains were taken to the residence of Mr. R. Banks, of Moulton streer, and were interred in the family burying ground at 11 o'clock.

Miss Herbert spent the early part of her life in this city and was especially loved and admired. The Secretary has the sympathy of all Alabama in his sad bereavement.

—Bellefonte Republican and New York Tribune one year for $1.50 in advance.

A TERRIBLE FRIGHT.

"How does fright affect you? It always makes me cold all over, and shivery, like water down one's back, you know."

"Fright?" questioned one of those addressed. "Oh, if I'm frightened, I scream right straight out, nothing can stop me—I just yell."

"You just do!" corroborated another of the pretty conclave round the fire with a laugh. "I never heard anything like it; when that tramp we met yesterday in the avenue at dusk suddenly addressed us, you made the welkin ring, and pinched my arm black and blue, until I made you understand the wretched creature had only asked his way."

There was the usual desultory chat and exchange of confidencs, between mouthfuls of muffin, concerning alarms past, present and future, when a handsome woman with mischievous eyes who had not hitherto spoken, exclaimed,—

"Were none of you girls ever struck dumb with fright?"

"What a question?" they chorused "Why, Mrs. Treherne, were you ever taken like that?"

"On one memorable occasion," was the reply, while a comical expression settled about the corners of a mouth which Venus herself might have envied for its outlines, "I lost the entire faculty of speech during fully ten minutes. I was struck dumb, and only found my tongue too late to be of any use."

The speaker looked across at her hostess. She was met by an amused air of incredulity.

"Let us hear the story, Kitty. I can't believe in your being frightened; but unbosom yourself, dear. I s intend keeping you until the men come in to introduce my brother, so you've plenty of time."

Amid murmurs of excited anticipation Mrs. Treherne began,—

"It was an evening like this—dark and dreary, with a thick, white fog But I'd better go back to the beginning or you won't understand. We were living in Highfordshire during the last years of my husband's lifetime, and my dream was to become an artist. I'm sorry to say it has never been realized

"There was even at that time a school of painting near us at Treeleigh, and I soon found a lady artist willing to teach me the rudiments. A drawback to complete happiness in my newly-adopted vocation was the distance between our house and this woman's studio, for Mr. Treherne, much as he disliked my painting craze, as he called it, objected to my being alone about the roads still more; and I must admit they were uncommonly dark at times. I may add also"—and the droll look crept up to her eyes—"he had two special bugbears. These were the artists and the models.

"He declared they were all scamps, and that, if I escaped from the artifices of the one, I should sooner or later be garotted by the other. The male sex he more particularly referred to, but I must confess he had no very high opinion of the women, either.

"Therefore, much as he hated his horses being out at night, he insisted on sending the carriage for me in all weathers, and I firmly believe the coachman had orders to give a receipt for my person every evening.

"Whether the presence of a good-looking young fellow who used to go about with one of the artists, and whose, no doubt well intentioned glances my husband had surprised in church contributed at all to this frame of mind, I never knew. But I had my suspicions, although, as a matter of fact, I never as much as spoke to the man, or heard his name.

"One day in the winter, I had been working in the life class till after five, and owing to a dense fog the carriage was late. I suppose I ought to have waited for it, but the tempter in the shape of a girl friend persuaded me to take tea in her rooms. Nor am I quite clear if directions were left at the studio to enable the carriage to find me.

"I dare say you imagine the party included men. If you do, you are wrong Whatever Mr. Treherne thought, morals were very strict, I can tell you, in Treeleigh.

"We were half a dozen girl students of whom one played divinely on the 'cello, and it must have been quite an hour later before I started, my bodyguard not having turned up, to trudge home in the mud alone.

"I have said that the roads could be very dark, but I never knew them so bad as they were on this particular evening. Lamps were few, even in the village, and the fog obscured such as there were. I felt very sorry for myself on leaving the comparative illumination of the street for the utter blackness of the lonely road that lay between me and home.

"I wondered where the brougham could be, and for once missed its comfortable cushions, and the inspiriting presence of our fat coachman. The fog penetrated eyes, nose and ears. It blinded me and made me cough.

"With difficulty, by aid of my umbrella and the palings, I was able to keep upon the apology for a sidewalk, though in places I literally had to crawl along as best I could.

"Just at first there were people about, grown large and indistinguishable in the mist. A boy passed me whistling a popular air. I envied him his courage, and would have liked to imitate it. He passed on, and I felt more lonely than ever. The tree trunks loomed like huge phantoms in the murky stillness, and the whole world seemed dead

"Then I remembered an encampment of gypsies, of whom some had posed as models, and nearly all had been up before my husband in his capacity as magistrate, during the past month Supposing one of them had noticed my watch or rings during a sitting? The thought was appalling.

"Footsteps behind me made my heart jump into my mouth, but they died away in the distance. I shuddered, stepped in a puddle up to my ankles, and, had I been a man and not so frightened, should undoubtedly have used bad language.

"I had reached a hollow, the very darkest part of the road where the fog lay thickest, when all at once I was conscious of a presence beside me. It was exactly as if the very mist had taken shape and put its arm round my waist. The shock was so sudden that, for an instant, I felt as if struck by a dagger. My tongue clave to the roof of my mouth, and how I didn't faint on the spot has always been a mystery to me.

"The spirit of the fog, or the highwayman, kept a firm hold on me, but did not change the direction of my footsteps. When the first intense fright gave place to a sort of semi-consciousness, I found myself being guided in a fashion which gave me to understand that the ghost, gypsy or garotter, whichever it might be, at least knew the road. I no longer stepped into puddles, or scratched my hands in the hedges, but was assisted along, apparently without an effort.

"Why I did not cry out is the inexplicable thing. It was doubtless that first shock which had paralyzed my tongue, yet I was being taken to some lonely spot, there, I presumed, to be robbed or murdered, or both, by one whom I could recognize only as a blurred shape, if indeed it was of this world at all.

"And all this while terror kept me dumb, while the thing neither relinquished nor tightened its grasp, so far not a rough one, but held on the even tenor of its way up the hill which, unless fright had sent my wits wool-gathering altogether, should lead, I knew, to our own avenue.

"Of course I was fully aware that some terrible design was in the mind of my ghostly companion, and feared lest every moment should be my last. Still with life there was hope, though I specially dreaded the by-lane which branched off toward the gypsy encampment, and which we must pass directly.

"Then a new, strange feeling crept over me. I was dreamily conscious of leaning heavily on the garrotter's arm and finding it a strong one, wondering at the same time if this awful experience was the punishment of my disobedience. How fervently I vowed that if I got safely out of this scrape, nothing on earth would ever again tempt me to risk my life after dark among the lanes of Treeleigh.

"Suddenly we stopped. I gasped, still mute as a fish, and shut my eyes tight. Already, in anticipation, I felt the murderous knife at my throat, the robber's hand rifling my dead body. The arm around me perceptibly tightened its grip; my heart stopped beating, when a deep, musical voice whispered in my ear,—

"There really are footpads about, but you have no reason to be frightened. All I want from you is one kiss to last me my lifetime."

"Before I could recover my senses the highwayman had pressed his lips to my cheek. The spell was broken, I opened my eyes with a piercing shriek. But he had vanished as silently and adroitly as he had come. All I saw was the indistinct light of a lantern as our lodge-keeper opened the gate and hastened toward me.

"In a dazed kind of way I reached the house without further adventure. Who my assailant had been I never knew. I assumed him to be a gypsy impertinently retaliating on me for some of Mr. Treherne's judgments. The voice was one I had never heard before, but so remarkable was its low and peculiar quality, that I should recognize it again among thousands. I may add that my husband was so vexed at my missing the carriage, which had returned without me, and also at my making a show of myself by shrieking outside our own gate, that I had to give up the school and my artistic dreams forever."

The door opened, and following the host, there entered a tall, good-looking, sunburned man of about thirty-five.

Mrs. Treherne, still immersed in her reminiscences, was gazing at the fire, when her hostess' voice aroused her,—

"Kitty, here is my brother, who is dying to be introduced to you. He has only just returned from South Africa, where he has been ever since he left Treeleigh many years ago."

Mrs. Treherne looked up with the half-interested air of a woman to whom a stranger has just been presented. She held out her hand.

"Indeed," she said, carelessly; do you also know that little artist colony? We were just mentioning it."

"I thought no one ever remembered Treeleigh but me, Mrs. Treherne. Ten years ago I carried away from there a memory that will last my lifetime."

This remark, innocent enough in itself, was uttered in a particularly deep musical voice. Something quite unusual in its timbre arrested the attention of everybody present, who, as if impelled by a common impulse, looked across at Mrs. Treherne, and it must be admitted that that lady gave abundant cause for curiosity. At the first sound of the new comer's voice she started violently, and stared at the owner thereof with an expression of mute dismay. She made an effort to speak, but without success, and falling back in her chair, covered her face with her hands.

For an instant there was silence, then came a burst of laughter.

"The Phantom of the Mist!" they cried.

SOME PLAIN REMARKS.

Secretary Gage Writes a Letter Hard to Answer.

IN REPLY TO RESOLUTIONS

He Tells of How Some Wage Earners Think They Will Get a Large Amount and Still Get Nothing whatever.

A VERY GOOD LETTER WRITTEN

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 22.—Secretary Gage has written the following letter to President Gompers of the Federation of Labor:

"I have read with care the resolutions adopted the 20th inst., at Nashville by the convention of the Federation of Labor, which recite as follows:

"Resolved, That we declare ourselves most positively opposed to the Gage financial bill recently introduced in congress by the secretary of the treasury. It is a measure that, if adopted as a law will only the more firmly rivet the gold standard on the people of the country and perpetuate its disastrous effects in every form.

"Resolved, That we pronounce the Gage bill an undisguised effort to retire our greenback currency and all government paper money, with a view to the substitution of national bank notes in their stead, and thus fasten the national bank system for years upon the American people."

"Now, if it be true that the gold standard—by which things have been measured as to price for the last sixty years in this country—is inimical to the interests of the laboring classes of the United States, I think it is inimical to all classes. In other words, I do not believe that the exploitation of one class by another, either false weights, partial laws or a bad monetary system, can be made to work for the permanent benefit of the exploiting class itself, or for the general weal, even were it defensible on any ground of right or justice, which it is not. Granted, therefore, that permanence of the gold standard (for which I argue) operates in this evil direction, then your resolutions of condemnation are well founded, and I am justly charged, either with an ignorance which constitutes me a foolish advisor. or with a perversity of motive which makes me an evil adviser.

"I have a right to disavow the charge of parversity of evil purpose since there is nothing in my whole life as related to my fellow men, and in word or in deed, by which the possession by me of such characteristics can be referred or much less demonstrated.

"But ignorance often unconsciously works as deep injury as evil intent might do, and to this sin of ignorance (if it be a sin) I must confess myself to be a possible victim. This confession, however, ought not to classify me as separate from my fellow men generally, whether they be considered as individual units or as congregated in groups. Ignorance is a relative not an absolute term, since few men are totally ignorant and none absolutely wise. Nor does the number constituting the group, change this fact since the wisdom of a group, however, cannot be greater than that of the wisest man in it.

"This remains true whether the subject matter involving knowledge and judgment be astronomy, physics or finance. The condemnation then involved in the relations referred to me are measured by the just or imperfect apprehension of questions relating to monetary science held by the wisest men who supported them.

"Laying these general considerations aside, let me say to you, and through you to the great body you so honorably represented, instead of denunciatory resolutions, which are not argument, if you or any other on your behalf, show that the views I entertain and advocate are other than salutary to the great economic body of which we are all independant members, *I* will abandon them without hesitation. My present contention, the honest fruit of sincere study and reflection, is that a breakdown in our present money standard would be a most disastrous blow to all our commercial and industrial interests, and that upon the wage workers, as a class, would be entailed the most serious effects of the disaster. Believing this *I* must so bear witness."

Was Refused By a Kansas Widow.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 20.—G. A. Martin, an elderly man from Clarksville, Md., brought suit today at Topeka, Kan., against Mrs. J. W. Parker for $3,000 for breach of promise. Martin tells an interesting story of how it all came about. He says that he was put in correspondence with Mrs. Parker by a matrimonial agency, and exhibited a bunch of letters from Mrs. Parker, in which she addressed him in very endearing terms. After some weeks of correspondence Mr. Martin says he proposed marriage, plainly informing Mrs. Parker at the same time that he was without means and was minus a leg. Mrs. Parker promptly accepted him, he avers, adding that she would only love him the more for his physical infirmity. and that she had money enough for both.

On this assurance Martin set out immediately for Topeka to be married, but it appears that when Mrs. Parker set eyes on him her love waned. She kept putting off the wedding on one pretext or another until this morning, when, Martin alleges, she kicked him out of the house and threw his overcoat and hat out after him. This afternoon he consulted attorneys and brought suit. Mrs. Parker is a very good looking young widow, whose husband died about two years ago, leaving her considerable property.

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SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 20.—Peter S. McMahon, of Albany, crazed by cigarette smoking, committed suicide here today. He was about 20 years old. He left a note, giving his name and also the following: "Brother Dan: Please quit smoking for my sake; you don't know what I suffer. Cigarettes is the cause of this. I have been crazy about a week. Good bye." McMahon had stood in front, of a mirror and fired a bullet through his heart.

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The currency cranks in Congress did not make much in the volley of questions and theoretical propositions which they fired at Secretary Gage when he was before the House Committee on Banking Currency. Mr. Gage is clear-headed and intelligent on money questions, and makes no hesitation in saying that the party which he represents is in favor of keeping every dollar of the money of the country equal with gold in value.

Dying Man Grasps at a Straw

"Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart has done so much for me, that I feel I owe it to suffering humanity to give testimony. For years I had smothering spells, pains in my left side, and swelled ankles. When I took the first dose of Dr. Agnew's Heart Cure, my friends thought I was dying, it gave me almost instant relief, and six bottles entirely cured me."—Mrs. F. L. Lumsden, Scranton, Pa.—57.

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President McKinley is still hopeful of definite and valuable results from the efforts in behalf of international bimetallism which were inaugurated by the Republican party immediately following his election. In his message he discusses briefly the work of the commission sent abroad for that purpose, expresses gratification that our great sister Republic of France was willing to join with this country in an attempt to bring about an agreement upon this subject, and closes his discussion of this question by saying that he has still reason to hope that the labors of this commission "may result in an international agreement which will bring about recognition of both gold and silver money upon such terms and with such safeguards as will secure the use of both metals upon a basis which will work no injustice to any class of our citizens."

His Voice Came Back.

William A. Gheer, of Williamsport, a few months ago lost his voice and was compelled to give up his business. One day last week while hunting on the mountain near Nesbit he started on a run to get a good aim at a turkey which was some distance ahead. While running he fell violently to the ground, which caused him to utter an angry exclamation. To his surprise he found that he could speak and talk, and his voice since then has been fully restored.

CASTORIA.
The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

The best thing with which a mother can crown her daughter is a common sense knowledge of the distinctly feminine physiology. Every woman should thoroughly understand her own nature. Every woman should understand the supreme importance of keeping herself well and strong in a womanly way. Nearly all of the pains and aches, nearly all the weakness and sickness and suffering of women is due to disorders or disease of the organs distinctly feminine.

A woman who suffers in this way is unfitted for wifehood and motherhood. Maternity is a menace of death. Thousands of women suffer in this way because their innate modesty will not permit them to submit to the disgusting examinations and local treatment insisted upon by the average physician. These ordeals are unnecessary. Dr. R. V. Pierce, an eminent and skillful specialist, for thirty years chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., has discovered a wonderful remedy with which women may treat and speedily cure themselves in the privacy of their own homes. This medicine is known as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It acts directly on the delicate and important organs concerned. It makes them well and strong. It allays inflammation, heals ulceration, soothes pain and rests the tortured nerves. Taken during the critical period, it banishes the usual discomforts and makes baby's advent easy and almost painless. Thousands of women who were once weak, sickly, nervous fretful invalids, are now happy, healthy wives, because of this medicine. It is sold by all good medicine dealers and no honest dealer will advise a substitute.

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No Holiday for the President.

WASHINGTON, December 23.—During the remainder of the present week the white house will practically be closed except to those who call upon urgent official business or those who have engagements to see the president, in order that Mr. McKinley may consider some important questions and obtain a needed rest. The death of the president's mother, and the more recent death of his cousin, Mrs. Charles R. Miller, of Canton, caused an entire abandonment of the preparations for holiday festivities at the white house. Christmas day will be observed quietly. Only the president and Mrs. McKinley and their immediate household, which includes the nieces, Miss Barber and Miss Duncan, and two or three personal friends, will be present at the Christmas dinner.

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White for the Harvest.

(From our Dixie Correspondent, Pinebo N. C.)

Traveling on the Raleigh & Augusta Air Line a part of the Seaboard Air Line railroad, on a November day bright and beautiful we had a lady from Belgium, Europe in our party. She had never seen a cotton field. The first sight of a field with its little balls of snowy fleece dotted all over its surface, called forth excited expressions of admiration and surprise. We explained to her the process of picking, and followed the cotton from the field to the bale. What was new to the lady from Belgium, must be new to many if not all of your readers.

A cotton field is an object of interest, from the time the plant appears above the ground, until its dry and broken stalks, are pushed into the past with the last days of the dying year. From May to December, cotton in plant or in bale. absorbs the interest and commands the attention of the most of the Southern people. We cannot in this letter follow it in its whole course. Let us look at what we can see at this time, December. There is still cotton in the fields; but the most and best of the crop has been picked. The picking season is long; beginning in August and lasting until near Christmas. The same field is picked over several times. The delicate and beautiful bloom, the square, the green and ripe boll may be seen on the same plant. The pickers, men, women and children, go through the fields between the rows, picking right and left and depositing into a sack strapped to their sides. Negroes do the most of the picking, earning money rapidly and spending as quickly. From the pickers cotton goes to the gin and press. Each boll contains twenty or more seeds to which the lint or fibre is well fastened. When these seeds were picked out by hands, cotton was worth about as much as silk; today, thanks to the cotton gin, we may clothe ourselves, in beauty and comfort, for a song.

The gin, with variations and improvements, is practically the same as when first invented; a large box with cotton from the fields, going in at the top, and the fleece coming out one side, and seed out of the other side. That which does the work within is really a piece of one inch iron shafting, such as used on ordinary machinery, with a great number of small fine circular saws fastened on the shaft about one half an inch apart, running between iron bars, This shafting with its saws rapidly revolving, litterly saws the fleece from the seed. The common country cotton press that is used in packing or pressing the cotton into bales, is so nearly like a hay press that it needs no description here. Cotton gins and presses are located within easy reach of cotton fields all over the South. Some are managed on the co-operation plan; the larger number, however, is owned by individuals who buy the cotton from the farmer or gin and pack it on shares for a stipulated price; most of the large farmers own their own outfit; some of the structures are primative and rough, but in the years that which have passed, they have turned out untold wealth to the nation. Their days however seem to be numbered. The tendency of the present day is to concentrate into large establishments, fitted with modern steam and electrical appliances. These establishments are where the cotton is ginned, spun and made into thread and cloth for the market; this saves much time to the farmer and convert his snowy wealth into current cash, in a few moments; it also enables the manufacturers to save much money that has heretofore gone to commission men. In a future letter I will attempt a description of one of these plants.

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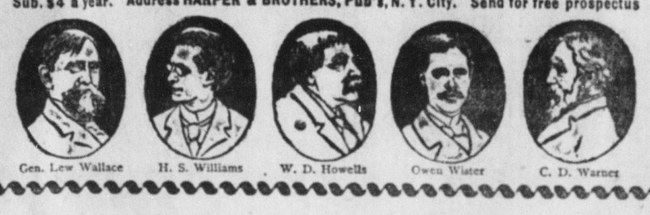
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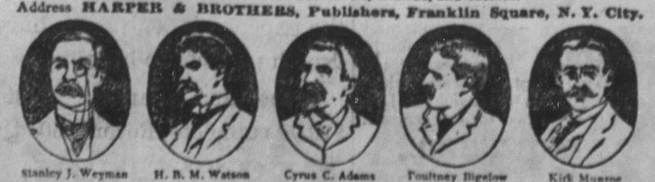
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Labor Claims Unpaid.

Two weeks ago 60 employes of the Valentine Iron company brought uit to recover wages due them. They got judgments and had issued an execution for the sale of the personal property of the company. Wednesday counsel for the company secured an injunction restraining the constable from making the sale. The writ is returnable January 5th. The amount of unpaid labor is $5,000. In addition to this, Robert Valentine, treasurer and secretary of the company, holds a judgment for $90,000, while there are a number of other outstanding claims and a mortgage for $75,000 against the plant.

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The Christmas McCLURE'S contained a complete *Short Story* by Rudyard Kipling entitled "THE TOMB OF HIS ANCESTORS," the tale of a clouded Tiger, an officer in the Indian army, and a rebellious tribe. We have in hand also a *New Ballad*, a powerful, grim, moving song of War Ships. It will be superbly illustrated. Mr Kipling will be a frequent contributor.

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Mark Twain contributes an article in his old manner, describing his voyage from *India to South Africa.* The illustrations are by *A. B. Frost* and *Peter Newell*, and are as droll and humorous as the article itself.

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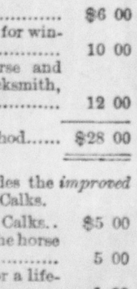

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" "2	Geo E Lamb	Philipsburg
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Benner twp, S P	Geo. W. Miller,	"
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" N. P.	Sam'l Strohecker	Rebersburg
" W. P.	Reuben Grimm	Madisonburg
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Penn "	James Cooney	Coburn
Potter Twp N P	Geo M Boal	Centre Hall
Potter " S P	Alexander McCoy	Pot'rs Mills
Rush " N P	Thomas James	Philipsburg
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" W P.	Boston Viehdorfer,	Moshannon
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For Sale by C. M. Parrish.

McClure's Magazine for January yields perhaps its first attraction in pictures. As an example of general excellence in magazine illustration it is, indeed, an extraordinary number. Every picture but one—a beautiful reproduction of Burne-Jones's painting "Vespertina Quies"—has relation to the reading matter—is strictly illustrative, in other words; but such is the intrinsic interest of them and the vividness of their execution, one derives from simply running through the number and looking at them that mental satisfaction which is usually to be had only from reading. They are, in other words, each and all, a good story in themselves. But then that is what the pictures naturally would be in McClure's, which lives to the rule of never failing, whatever else happens, to tell a good story. The S. S. McClure Co., New York City.

"How to Keep Young"

is the title of another article in What to Eat for January, and it will interest everybody who has passed twenty.

If you want to "swear off" in a sensible manner for the coming year, read the pledge contained on the front page. It promises what any of us ought to cheerfully subscribe to. "Frauds in Flour" and "Frauds in Food and Drink" form the subjects of particularly vigorous editorials, and choice recipes, poems and stories make up the rest of the number.

It is announced that the winners of the prize poem contest will be given in the next issue.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, Dec. 27, 1897.

President McKinley believes that the existing critical condition of affairs in the far east, owing to the grabbing of Chinese territory by Germany and the contemplated grabbing by other European nations, makes it imperative that the annexation of Hawaii should be speedily consumated, and he has lost no opportunity since Congress adjourned for the recess to impress his view of the matter upon such senators as have called on him. He may send a special message to the Senate, urging immediate disposition of the annexation treaty, but that has not yet been definitely determined upon, and will probably depend upon whether the Senate shows a disposition to speedily bring the treaty to a vote or merely starts in to kill time in a windy discussion of the subject. The President shares the belief of Senator Davis, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, that sufficient votes to ratify the treaty can be obtained in the Senate.

Hon. H. Clay Evans, Commissioner of Pensions, says on a much discussed subject: "The cry of pension frauds has become so common of late that the people do not regard it seriously. It was for the purpose of proving the fallacy of this charge that I recommended to Congress and will urge in a bill, after the holidays, the publication of a complete list showing each pensioner, his address, disability and amount of pension received, which would do more to stop this idle chatter than anything this department can say. The possibilities of disabilities are great, and everyone knows a man apparently in the best of health, attending to his daily duties, may have a disability which entitles him to a pension. This is hard for some people to see. Perhaps, if they had an X-ray apparatus with them, there would be no difficulty. This list would show what was the matter with such men and why they received pensions. But best of all, it would bring to light the frauds which do exist, and we all know there are some. But I say without fear of contradiction that in no other business enterprise where so large an amount of money is disbursed, are there so few mistakes."

Had Senator Wilson, of the State of Washington, who is one of the most accommodating and obliging men in Congress, known that one of the yellow journals of New York—the yellowest of them all—intended to make him have a personal encounter with a member of the House, in the private office of Attorney General McKenna, he might not have left Washington in advance of the alleged occasion, but as the fellow didn't inform him, he went away from Washington before he was made to engage in that scrap, and has not yet returned.

There was no surprise in Washington at the verdict of the British American Commission, chosen to assess the damages for seizures of British ships in Behring sea by the United States. The total amount of damages claimed was about $1,500,000, and during the last administration, Secretary Gresham and agents of Great Britain agreed upon the sum of $425,000, and Mr. Cleveland asked Congress to appropriate the money, but Congress refused. Then a Commission to settle the matter was provided for. With the official record of a President and a Secretary of State having said that $425,000 ought to be paid, there was no possibility of our representative on the Commission getting a lesser amount named. The award is $464,000. President McKinley will forward this finding to Congress in order that the money may be appropriated and paid.

Mr. C. D. Stapleton, of Iowa, who spen Christmas in Washington, is proud of the Republican party of his state, of which he says: "The Republican party in Iowa is better organized, better managed and has better discipline than in any other state in the Union. The Iowa Republicans number in their ranks, a goodly list of able men, but for years they have with unanimous accord agreed to abide by the leadership of one whom they all revere and admire—Hon. Wm. B. Allison. It is worth while belonging to a party that acts in such a spirit of unison and displays so much sound sense in politics. The result of good leadership and loyal following in Iowa is seen in the long continued domination of the Republicans. If the Republicans were as sensible and free from internal bickering elsewhere as in Iowa, their ascendency in the nation would be permanent."

Most men who know anything at all about the subject will admit that there is no man who knows Ohio politics better than President McKinley. Knowing this, and that President McKinley has not had a single doubt of the election of Senator Hanna by the Ohio legislature, is why the ridiculous stories of defections among Republican members of the legislature have found no credence in Washington, either among Senator Hanna's enemies or his friends.

Aged 105 Years.

It will be news to many to know that perhaps the oldest person in Centre county has for several years lived in South Philipsburg and until her death Tuesday morning we were ignorant of the fact ourselves. We refer to Mrs. Barbara Allen Gardner, who breathed her last, Tuesday morning Dec. 21, at 8 o'clock, at the home of her son, Samuel Gardner, in South Philipsburg, at the very remarkable age of 105 years. She was born in the western part of the state but most of her life has been spent in this section, and at intervals she has lived in Philipsburg, the past fifteen years having been spent in this place almost exclusively. When but a young girl she was a domestic in the home of Hardman Philips, the founder of our city, and she remembered very distinctly the old screw factory and the time when there was but three or four houses in the town. She retained her faculties up until the very last, and could converse most intelligently upon the early history of Philipsburg. She was the mother of twelve children, six of whom survive, viz: Jerry and David, LuBois; Hiram, of Curwensville; Samuel, south Philipsburg, who is the youngest; Mrs. Mary Williams, of Chester Hill, and Mrs. Rebeccah Jones of Steamburg, Mercer county, Pa. She also raised five children of her husband, who had been previously married, and two grandchildren. For many years she had been a consistent member of the United Brethren church, and was ready to answer the roll call when it came to her this morning. About eight years ago she was so unfortunate as to fall and injure herself, from which she never fully recovered.—Philipsburg *Journal*.

When you are suffering from Catarrh or Cold in the head you want relief right away. Only 10 cents is required to test it. Ask your druggist for the trial size of Ely's Cream Balm, or buy the 50c. size. We mail it.

ELY BROS., 56 Warren St., N. Y. City.

I was afflicted with catarrh last autumn. During the month of October I could neither taste nor smell and could hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured it.—Marcus Geo. Shautz, Rahway, N. J.

Bellefonte and Tyrone Next.

Mr. John Cupper, of Lock Haven, is now at work painting the letter boxes in Williamsport with his patent aluminum paint. After the Williamsport job is completed Mr. Cupper will come to Bellefonte and brighten up the letter boxes in this place and from here will go to Tyrone.

THE LARGER HALF.

The Same in Bellefonte As Elsewhere.

The bigger half of worldly trouble,
The greater part of mankinds' suffering,
Can safely be laid to the kidneys.
Kidneys filter the blood.
Keep the human system healthy.
But they can't do this when they're sick.
Easy to tell sick kidneys.
Look to the back for the note of warning.
Most backache pains are kidney ills.
Twitches, twinges, pains and aches of a bad back.
Should be treated promptly.
Every days delay means future trouble.
Urinary complications set in diabetes, bright's disease.
Doan's Kidney Pills are kidney specialists.
Cure every form of kidney ills.
Proof of this in Bellefonte testimony
Mr. B. H. Shaffer, of Howard street, Tinsmith, says: "I was much troubled with bickache and a lameness just over my hip and when I took cold there was always difficulty with the kidney secretions. The lameness in my loins was very inconvenient for I could not move quickly without having sharp twinges through me and if bending forward I could hardly straighten up again. I learned about Doan's Kidney Pills and procured them from F. Potts Green's drug store and took them. I do not remember if I took a whole box or not but I do know that they banished the pain and lameness and I have not had any of those terrible backaches since I used them."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

McCoy Challenges Fitzsimmons.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Kid McCoy the conqueror of Creedon, issued a challenge to Fitzsimmons today for a finish fight for the middle weight championship of the world. The young middleweight announced that he has backing for $10,000 and will post a forfeit as soon as called upon to do so. He desires to meet the present champion for a purse and a side stake of at least $5,000.

McCoy at once communicated with Dan Stuart, the promoter of the Carson City fight last spring, and offered to take Corbett's place in case the Californian fails to sign articles with Fitzsimmons.

"Even if Corbett is willing to fight," declared McCoy in his letter to Stuart, "I believe that I am entitled to the first chance. Corbett is a beaten man, while I have not yet been defeated. Fitzsimmons should take me on first and deal with Corbett afterward.

After Typhoid Fever

Did Not Get Over the Weak, Languid Feeling—Terrible Itching and Burning on Limbs and Hands.

"After I had typhoid fever, for a long time I could not get over the weak and languid feeling. I had no appetite and was taken with a terrible itching, burning heat on my limbs and hands. I was treated for a long time, but I did not get any better. I could not eat or sleep. A friend advised me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, and I procured a bottle and began taking it. In a few days I felt better and could eat and sleep. I continued taking Hood's Sarsaparilla until I was entirely cured." MRS. R. AVERY, Bergen, N. Y.

"My little girl was almost blind, owing to a scrofulous trouble. We resorted to Hood's Sarsaparilla and today her eyes are perfectly well and she is the picture of health." B. C. ALLEN, 221 West 61st Street, New York, N. Y.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is sold by all druggists. Price $1; six for $5.

Hood's Pills are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The advocates of the free silver are recognizing the fact that issue is losing its popularity with the people. As a result they are casting about for some new fad with which to catch the floating vote, to which they appeal as against the Republican party. The latest effort to discover some new and popular proposition is a series of suggestions which "Coin" Harvey and his associates have presented for a vote in lodges of their secret organization, "American Patriots," on the second Tuesday of next month. This organization was created immediately after the late Presidential campaign; with the purpose of trying to keep alive the silver proposition, or any issue which would hold together the element upon which these agitators worked in 1896. The new issues which these "patriots" propose include socialism, single tax, income tax, the demonetization of gold and silver and substitution of paper money issued by the Government, the redemption of Government paper currency in metallic money without reference to the metal used, a direct vote on all leading political issues, and, of course, the free and unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1. The presentation of this aggregation of freak propositions as possible issues for the next national campaign shows the straits to which the friends of free silver are reduced to find some means of regaining their grip upon that element of the popular vote with whom the single proposition of 1896 is so rapidly loosing ground.

The increase of exportation of manufactures under the Wilson tariff law about which the free-traders are still shouting is very interesting, but not altogether instructive, unless it is considered in the light of some other facts. The increase of importation of foreign manufactures during the time in which our exportation o home manufactures increased was three or four times as much as the growth in exports. Naturally with our own markets ifilled with foreign manufactures at low prices, our manufacturers were either compelled to seek a market abroad or close their establishments. The effect of legislation cannot be determined by the study of a single year or a term of years. Those who want to examine this subject closely can get a better view of it by noting the imports and exports of the United States during the past half century. In the past twenty-five years, which has been a season of constant protective tariff with the exception of the three years just ended, the excess of exports over imports amounted to about $2,500,000,000, while in the preceding quarter of a century, which was one of low tariff, excepting the war period, the excess of imports over exports was $1,400,000,000. These figures, which cover two twenty-five year periods, one of which was characterized by low tariff and the other by protective tariff, are a hundred times more convincing as to the effect of protection upon our foreign commerce than all the figures which the free-traders can produce regarding the operations of the past year or three years.

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The voting in the late Indianapolis election was on matters of local import entirely, and gives no indication as to the division of the voters on political issues. National issues did not figure, and the result has no political significance. By the way, it will be remembered that after the Chicago local election Mr. Bryan telegraphed his congratulations to the Democratic candidate, and expressed his faith in the great change of sentiment which was at hand. Did Mr. Bryan telegraphed anybody at Indianapolis to like effect? The change in sentiment in the country has come all right enough, but not the way Mr. Bryan hoped.

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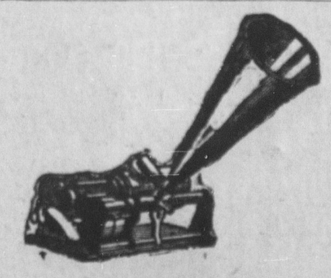

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George W. Cowher, of Hannah Furnace, and Mary Garman, were united in marriage on Christmas day at Coal Run, near Osceola, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garman. Rev. E. B. Somers, of Philipsburg, performed the ceremony in the presence of a large number of friends. A splendid dinner was also prepared for the occasion. Harvey Meas, of Osceola, played the wedding march. The many friends of this happy couple wish them much success.

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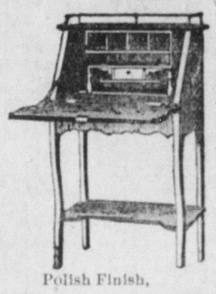

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Millheim Items.

Mr. Robert and Fred Foote, of this place, who are employed at State College, were home on Sunday.

Mr. George Royer and Mr. Felix Stieffler of Penn's Cave, and Mr. William Stieffler of Tusseyville, were the guests of Mrs. W. J. Springer on Sunday.

Miss Anna Fisher, of Bellefonte, was in town on Christmas.

Prothonatory Wm. Smith was seen at Coburn on Monday.

Several of the P. S. C. students were in town last week calling on our pretty girls. "Good luck."

Shaw's colored minstrels were in town on Saturday night. The attendance was small. "N. G." was the cry.

Rev. Lohr, of this place, is holding a revival meeting at Coburn. There have been three conversions.

Nobody knows where the hobo goes. Chapman is gone.

Misses Margaret and Nettie Springer are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Harter, near Woodward.

Mr. John Hardenburg, of this place, who is a student at Franklin and Marshall, Lancaster, is at home.

Saturday night there was an entertainment held in the M. E. church. After the performance each person received a dish of ice cream and cake on the side. The receipts will be used for the purpose of furnishing the Sunday school with new singing books.

Mr. Daniel Karstetter, of Pleasant Gap, visited Messrs. Jacob and Mantel Kerstetter of Coburn, on Saturday and Sunday.

Millheim turned out at Coburn on Saturday for the purpose of seeing the races. Some one drover and killed a young porker.

A Grand Entertainment.

On last Friday evening the people of the little village of Jacksonville and its surroundings gathered at the Presbyterian church of that place, where they were royally entertained by the members of the Lick Run Presbyterian Sunday school in a Christmas service. The church was handsomely decorated with laurel, myrtle and plants. The children were for the last week or ten days under the care and tutorship of Miss Elenor Irwin, upon whom rested a heavy responsibility. Miss Elenor being a lady of taste and ability exerted every effort to make the work for the evening a success, and she deserves much credit for her work.

The opening anthem, entitled "The Good Shepherd," was rendered in an excellent manner by the choir, consisting of Mrs. Laura Yearick, organist; Misses Rosa and Gertrude Kling, Edith Wilson, Emma Sayers, Messrs. C. H. Wilson, S. R. Kling, J. N. Kling, D. Al. Irwin.

PROGRAM.

Opening Anthem, "The Good Sheperd." Address by Supt. B. F. Thompson; "Address of Welcome," Willard McDowell. Recitations, "Somebody's Coming," Nannie Tate; "Good Night Little Star," Dean Bennison; "An Old Song," Mary Bickle. Music, "Ring the Merry Christmas Bells. Recitations, "A Christmas Eve Wish," Earl Orr; "Kindergarten Christmas Carol," May Orr; "A Chrstmas Present," Guy Nolan. Music, "Christmas Bells," by the little folks. Recitations, "Approaching Christmas," Anna Bickle; "Bells Aross the Snow," Denver Butler; "Sweet Christmas Time," Mary Nolan. Music, "Beautiful Morning So Bright." Recitations, "A Walk in Hollywood," Ida Bickle; "His Christmas Eve Prayers," Nannie Long; "Christmas Tide," Loyd Tate; "Paul the Hero," Edna Reber. Music, "The Long Expected Morn." Recitations, "Christmas Everywhere," Mary Orr; "A Shepherd Boy's Carol," Allen Thompson; "Make a Present to Yourself," May Reber; "Christmas Angels," Emma Dennison. Music, "Ring the Merry Christmas Bells." Recitations, "Christmas on the Farm," Mary Allison; "Annie and Willie's Prayer," Bertha Bennison; "The New Church Organ," Lulu Irwin; "Lady Yeardly's Guest," Ray Allison. Music, "The Festive Time."

Farmers for Postal Banks.

Much has been heard about the demand of organized labor for the establishment of a postal savings bank system. Organized farmers are no less emphatic in asking the government to provide safe depositories for persons of small means. Farmers are not so well organized as the workingmen of the cities and do not come together in conventions and associations so frequently, but when they do postal savings banks is generally one of the subjects discussed.

At the meeting of the Michigan State Association of Farmers' Clubs at Lansing recently a strong demand was made for the establishment of the postal savings bank system, to which all the delegates present gave their approval. On the day previous the state grange had taken similar action.

A demand which the workingmen and farmers unite in making is one to which congress should give heed.—Chicago Record.

FROM THE FAR EAST.

The Condition of Affairs is Growing More Serious.

BRITISH WARSHIPS ARE MOVING

It is Also Said a Military Force Has Been Landed at Chemulpo—Even China Is Not Pleased With Russia's Action.

TELEGRAMS FROM THE SCENE

LONDON, December 27.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says: It is reported that seventeen British warships are off Chemulpo, Corea, south west of Seoul, supporting the British consul's protest, really amounting to an ultimatum, against the king's practically yielding the gulf of Corea into the hands of the Russian minister.

The protest is especially directed against the dismissal of McLeavy Brown, British advisor to the Corean customs, in favor of the Kussian nominee. The news has produced consternation at Seoul, which is heightened by the knowledge that Japan has a fleet of thirty warships awaiting the result of the British representation that Japan fully supports. Japan is irritated by the arrival of Russian troops in Corea, and it is believed that she will oppose them.

According te advices from Tokio, Japan has offered to assist the officers at Pekin in drilling the Chinese army and to consent to a postponement of the payment of the war indemnity. Many of the viceroys and Pekin officials favor the proposal.

According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Shanghai, it is reported there, from reliable sources, that a British force landed at Chemulpo on Saturday and caused the reinstatement of McLeavy Brown. The same dispatch refers to a native rumor that the Union Jack has been hoisted on an island in the mouth of the river Yang-Tse-Kiang.

The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "The government refuses the replace the Likin under foreign control as security for the loan proposed by the Hong Kong and Shanghai bank and asserts that unless the loan is procurable without this condition arrangements will forthwith be made for a Russian guaranteed 4 per cent. loan of 100,000,000 taels to be issued at 93 net.

The security would be the land tax which would remain under Chinese administration. China in return would give Russia a monopoly of the railroads and mines north of the Great Wall, open a port as a terminus for a railway (Trans-Siberian) and would agree that a Russian should succeed Sir Robert Hart as director of Chinese imperial maritime customs. If these conditions should be permitted, British trade interest would suffer severely.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times says: "The sloop Phœnix sailed to-day (Sunday) under orders to join the British squadron. The utmost secrecy is preserved with regard to the latter's movements, but gossip here suggests that its destination is Te Lien-Wan."

YOKOHAMA, December 27.—Count Matsoukata, the premier and admiral, and the Marquis Saigo Tsugumichi, minister of marine, have resigned. It is probable that Count Ito will be the new premier.

Boston Campaign Closed.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—The municipal campaign closed to-night and to-morrow the 100,000 of more electors will choose a mayor, seven alderman, eight members of the school committee, a street commissioner for three years and three councilmen from each ward. The candidates of the two leading political parties are the same as two years ago, mayor Josiah Quincy heading the Democratic ticket, while ex-Mayor Edwin U. Curtis is the candidate of the Republicans for the third time. The disturbing factor in the campaign has been the candidacy of Thomas Riley, who is running on the Bryan Democratic ticket, and his campaign, which has been avowedly antagonistic to Mayor Quincy, has been conducted with great vigor. As the election of Riley is out of the question, the contest apparently depends on how many votes he can draw from the regular Demacratic candidate and thus insure the election of Curtis.

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To MOTHERS.

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COURT PROCLAMATION—Whereas the Honorable J. G. Love, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 49th Judicial District, consisting of the county of Centre, and the Honorable Cyrus Faulkner, Associate Judge in and for Centre county, having issued their precept bearing date of the 20th day of December, 1897, to me directed for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace in Bellefonte, for the County of Centre and to commence on the 4th Monday of January, being the 24th day of January 1898, and to continue two weeks. Notice is hereby given to the coroner, justice of the peace, aldermen and constables of said County of Centre, that they be then and there in their proper persons, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of the 24th, with their records, inquisitions, examinations, and their own remembrances to do those things which to their office appertains to be done, and those who are bound in recognizances to prose ute against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of Centre county be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

Given under my hand, at Bellefonte, the 20th day of December, in the year of our Lord 1897, and the one hundred and twenty-first year of the Independence of the United States. W. M. CRONISTER, Sheriff.

Bellefonte Markets.

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Clara May Kirk } In the Court of Common
vs. } Pleas of Centre county.
Wm. J. Kirk. } No. 134, Aug. Term 1897.

To William J. Kirk, late of Centre county, Pa.

Whereas, Clara May Kirk, your wife, has filed a libel in the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, to No. 134 August Term, 1897, praying for a divorce against you, now you are hereby notified and required to appear in said court on or before Monday, the 24th day of January next, to answer the compiaint of the said Clara May Kirk and show cause if any you have why the said Clara May Kirk should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered intl with you, and in default of such appearance you will be liable to have a divorce granted in your absence.

W. M. CRONISTER,
d23-4t Sheriff of Centre county.
Sheriff's Office, Bellefonte, Pa., Dec. 22, 1897.

Margaret S. Durst } In the Court of Common
vs. } Pleas of Centre county.
George F. Durst. } No. 113, Aug. Term, 1897.

To George Durst, late of Centre county, Pa

Whereas, Margaret S. Durst, your wife, has filed a libel in the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, to No. 113 Aug. Term 1897, praying for a divorce against you, now you are hereby notified and required to appear in said court on or before Monday, the 24th day of January next, to answer the complaint of the said Margaret S. Durst and show cause if any you have why the said Margaret S. Durst should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered intl with you, and in default of such appearance you will be liable to have a divorce granted in your absence.

W. M. CRONISTER
d22-4t Sheriff of Centre county.
Sheriff's Office, Bellefonte, Pa., Dec. 22, 1897.

The people who are criticising the fact that the Associated Press reported that Mr. Bryan had had his hair cut in Mexico forget that its correspondents are directed to report only the most important features of his visit.

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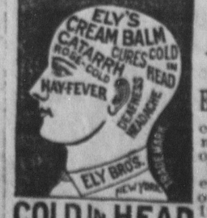

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OVER IN AUSTRIA

There Is Lots of Trouble Over Hungary and its Ways.

THE SHORT MEN SAY SOMETHING

They Allege, Through Their Speaker, That They Have Certain Rights and These Should Be the Law.

HENCE THERE IS TROUBLE

BUDA PEST, December 22.—In the lower house of the Hungarian parliment today Baron Banffy, the premier speaking of the bill providing for a provisional prolongation of the ausgleich, declared at the outset that he could not accept the resolution of Francis Kossuth, demanding the establishment of an independent Hungarian customs regime by January 1, 1898, but, continued the premier, he would accept a motion to publish as soon as possible the date necessary for the establishment of such a regime, or for the conclusion of a commercial treaty with Austria, and the draft of a customs tariff, and to arrange to ascertain the views of business men. He pointed out that *Hungary* had the right to establish an independent customs immediately, if it was in her interest to do so; but, she considered the compromise arrangement with Austria more advantageous, if it could be arranged with due regard to Hungary's interest. That however was doubtful. The government, nevertheless, the premier continued, desired to give Austria time to recover herself and did not wish to cause a state of confusion, the harmful consequences of which were incalculable. The present bill did not infringe upon Hungary's rights and interests and, he added, the government would act vigorously against attempts, similar to those of the reichrath, to prevent its becoming law. This remark caused an uproar, after which the premier concluded with appealing to the house not to create difficulties, as Hungary's interest, he pointed out, far from requiring her to loosen her relationship with Austria, required that her ties with the latter country be made closer and stronger. This statement was greeted with applause from the rightists, but it caused an uproar among the leftists.

A New Year's Gift Heralded.

The measureless popularity of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has been the growth of more than a third of a century. As in the past, the coming new year will be ushered in by the appearance of a fresh Almanac, clearly setting forth the nature, uses and operation of this medicine of world wide fame. It is well worth perusal. Absolute accuracy in the astronomical calculations and calendar will, as before, be valuable characteristics, while the reading matter will include statistics, humor and general information, accompanied by admirably executed illustrations. The Almanac is issued from the publishing department of The Hostetter Company at Pittsburg, and will be printed on their presses in English, German, French, Welsh, Norwegian, Swedish, Holland, Bohemian and Spanish. All druggists and country dealers furnish it without cost.

The Silver Dollar of 1804.

Says a Great Falls, Mont., special: If it proves genuine the last missing coin of the United States dollar issue of 1804 has been discovered in northern Montana. For thirty years coin gatherers and museums have had a standing offer of from $8,000 to $10,000 for the coin. There are but four pieces of this issue in the world. It was brought to light in Teton county a few days ago, when Billy Seymour, a bartender at Chateau. was counting his cash. His eye caught sight of an odd-looking dollar that had been taken in for drinks. Seymour took the coin, putting an ordinary dollar in the drawer. The following day he exhibited it to several friends, among whom was one who recognized the dollar of 1804. In a short time every man who had passed a dollar over Seymour's bar that day called to claim the dollar, having "passed it by mistake." Seymour refused to give it up.

Several suits are threatened to recover possession. There is little reason to doubt the genuineness of the coin.

Try Allen's Foot Ease.

A powder to be shaken into the shoes. At this season your feet feel swollen and hot, and get tired easily. If you have smarting feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It cools the feet and makes walking easy. Cures and prevents swollen and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pain and gives rest and comfort. Try it to-day. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Trial package free.

Address, Allen S. Olmstead Le Roy N. Y.

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Mother Gray's Sweet Worm Powders used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, cure feverishness and destroy worms. At all druggists 25c. Sample FREE, Address, Allen S Olmstead,

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

Tin Mines in City Streets—Calling the Roll of Animals—Light on Comets' Tails—An Engine Power—A Chime from a Single Bell.

A very unusual subject of analysis—a lady's silk dress—was brought recently to the laboratory of Dr. T. L. Phipson, an English chemist. In the course of his work it developed that much of the material was not silk at all, and that much of the foreign substance was oxide of tin making the fabric richer in metal than much poor tin ore from Cornwall, and demonstrating the fact that the silk dresses seen daily on London's fashionable thoroughfares represent, taken together, a Cornish mine of very fair quality. It proved, moreover, that the material, instead of lasting a lifetime, as pure silk was once supposed to do,—would not continue presentable three months if worn every day. This is the analysis: water, 11.43; ash (mostly tin oxide and silica), 14 30; real silk, 28.14; organic matters, etc., not silk, 46.13. A serious assertion, the analyst adds. is that the "weighted" silks of France, Germany and Switzerland, which grow shabby in a few weeks, are even preferred by the public, as fashions change so rapidly that better material is useless!

A colossal work now being carried out by a Committee of the British Association for the Advancement of Science is the preparation of an "Index Animalium," designed to list all the names ever given to animals. Zoologists estimate that 386,000 species of recent animals have been described, and the fossils probably bring the number up to 550,000, while some species have had as many as twenty different names. Assuming an average of three names, the completed Index will contain not less than 1,650,000 references. Mr. C. Davis Sherborn has been four years seeking these names in the literature of all lands and ages, verifying species and dates, and cataloguing by slips in the alphabetical order of the genera. He has completed 14,000 references in duplicate, all being accessible to students visiting the British Museum as the work progresses.

The old windmill and the æolian wheel are not suitable motors for getting work from the wind, in view of M. Maximilian Plesseur. This energy can best be utilized by means of vehicles driven on circular railways by sails kept automatically trimmed, the power to be transmitted to an axle and thence to machinery. With fairly constant wind, such an apparatus, in connection with dynamos and electrical accumulators, should be efficient and economical. Boats instead of cars could be used for a similar arrangement on water.

The nerves, contrary to common belief, may live many hours after death of the body. Excitability of the muscles does not show this, but M. d'Arsonval has lately proven it by the myophone, an instrument whose sounds reveal the action of the nerves on a muscle when they produce nothing more than molecular vibration.

Our theories of certain perplexing phenomena are likely to be considerably modified by the researches Prof. Goldstein is carrying on at the Royal Astronomical Observatory of Berlin. A fact well known is that when a solid body is interposed in the path of the cathode rays in a vacuum tube, it becomes itself a secondary source of cathode rays, upon which the primary cathode appears to exercise a repulsive action; and this has suggested the theory that the sun is a primary cathode, sending out cathode rays to immense distances, and that the solid or gaseous nucleus of a comet is a secondary cathode, which sends out cathode rays always directed away from the sun. The secondary rays are the visible tail of the comet. Prof. Goldstein has now strikingly reproduced most of the phenomena of comets' tails, while he hopes to be able to explain such other mysteries as the red flames and prominences seen around the eclipsed sun, with the magnetic storms, auroras, thunder-storms and other terrestrial phenomena supposed to be influenced by solar action.

Acid food is pointed out by Dr. W. T. English of Pittsburg as our latest excess, the acidulous habits of the body marking a distinct stage in civilization. The consumption of acid fruits, pickles and acid drinks is increasing at an astonishing rate, the production of tomatoes having multiplied ten times since 1890. while the quantity of acid drinks has doubled every year during the same period. The supposed tendency of the acid diet is to destroy the action of the bile and pancreatic juice by the neutralizing their normal alkalinity, and to lessen resistance to infection by reducing the alkalinity of the blood and other bodily fluids. The effects may be far-reaching, deranging especially the nervous system and the heart, and even causing temporary intellectual confusion and incoherency of thought.

A new mechanical movement, by Mr. E. M. Bowdon of London, consists of a stout inner wire surrounded by a close coil of another wire, the inner wire projecting beyond the other at each end through holes too small for the passage of the coil. On pulling the inner wire out of the coil at one end it is drawn in at the other. Motion may be thus transmitted around corners or between points not fixed, the flexible conductor hanging loosely or being tied in a knot. The mechanism was originally designed for operating a bicycle brake.

In the evolution of the trotting horse, Mr. A. J. Meston, of Pittsfield, *Mass.*, has traced the predominant influence of one horse—Hambletonian 10 (1849—1876). This influence has extended to 92 per cent. of all 2.10 trotters and 84 per cent. of all 2.10 pacers; while the pacing speed without Hambletonian blood has fallen two seconds behind the best record, and the trotting speed four seconds.

A German manufacturer gives a bell more than one note by dividing it into sections of different sizes by dents. Each section, when struck, emits a tone corresponding to its size.

Nobody need have Neuralgia. Get Dr. Miles' Pain Pills from druggists. "One cent a dose."

Dr. Scott, whose Adv. appears in this issue makes the very liberal offer to every one trying his brush, that if it is not found satisfactory after six months trial he will refund the money, the brush has been sold over twenty years and must have merits to enjoy such an extensive sale.

Henry Sprow Murdered.

Saturday evening Dec. 18th, man was found in a gutter in Allegheny City, unconscious with blood flowing from the side of his head. Life was almost extinct and he was removed to the city hospital where he was identified as Samuel Sprow. He died soon after. An autopsy showed that his jaw-bone was broken, his skull fractured and the cause of death due to concussion of the brain.

Mr. Sprow was a Penns valley man, a son of Jacob Sprow, deceased, of near Centre Hall. He was 45 years of age and leaves a wife (nee Lillie Tresher) and three children. The body passed through Bellefonte on Wednesday on its way for burial at Centre Hall.

It was a plain case of murder and detectives were at once put on the case with the result that one Henry Dysert, a drover, who had a quarrel with Sprow a short time before and was found shortly after with blood on his clothes, has been arrested.

Some Foolish People.

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c. and 50c. *Trial size free.* At all druggists.

To Cure Constipation Forever.

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money

If anybody has any doubt about the wisdom of the choice which the people of the United States made in the election of last year, let him compare the holiday conditions of 1897 with the holidays during the past four years.

40 Gems, 10 Cents.

Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills cure all troubles arising from torpor of the liver. Easy and quick—Banish Sick Headache—Purify the blood and eradicate all impurities from the system. The demand is big. The pills are little, easy to take, pleasant results, no pain. 40 in a vial. 10 cents. —56.

For sale by J. N. & S. Krumrine.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy
CURES ALL KIDNEY, STOMACH AND LIVER TROUBLES.

The people who are criticising the fact that the Associated Press reported that Mr. Bryan had had his hair cut in Mexico forget that its correspondents are directed to report only the most important features of his visit.

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EVERY BRIDE

and wife should know about the preparation that for half a century has been helping expectant mothers bring little ones into the world without danger and the hundred and one discomforts and distractions incident to child-birth. It is applied externally, which is the only way to get relief. Medicines taken internally will not help and may result in harm.

Mother's Friend

fits and prepares every organ, muscle and part of the body for the critical hour. It robs child-birth of its tortures and pains. Baby's coming is made quick and easy. Its action is doubly beneficial if used during the whole period of pregnancy.

$1 per bottle at all drug stores, or sent by mail on receipt of price.

BOOKS FREE, containing valuable information to all women, will be sent to any address upon application by

The Bradfield Regulator Co.,
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PHILADELPHIA SENSATION.

Chestnut Street National Bank Closes Its Doors To-day.

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—A sensational holiday incident in this city this morning was the closing of the doors of the Chestnut Street National bank, one of the best known financial institutions in the state. A bank examiner has charge of its affairs, and accurate knowledge of the cause of suspension and extent of failure will not be known until he shall have made complete examination of all books and papers.

The Chestnut Street National bank was organized in 1887 and its first president was Hon. Robert E. Pattison who had just completed his first term as governor. He remained there until his re-election as governor in 1890 when William M. Singerly, proprietor of the Philadelphia Record, became president of the bank. *Mr.* Singerly has occupied the presidency ever since. Isaac Cooper is vice president and William Steele is cashier. According to the last report, the bank had a capital of $500,000, surplus $150,000; deposits, $3,000,000; loans and discounts, $2,300,000. Closely connected with the defunct bank is the Chestnut Street Trust and Saving Fund Co., capital $250,000, of which Mr. Singerly is also president, and Mr. Cooper vice president. These institutions occupied one of the finest stone edifices on Chestnut Street. Its officers are credited with being among the wealthiest citizens of Philadelphia.

May Probably Pool.

CHICAGO, December 28.—The possibility that Leiter and Armour will pool their interests to corner May wheat is stirring traders on change. The Post says: "George French, operating for the Leiter crowd, has piled up a line of at least 4,000,000 bushels of May wheat, according to reports from the floor. Armour's radical change of front in bulling May wheat is common knowledge. It is equally well known that Armour has a pyramid of May wheat bought which is supposed to come close to the Leiter holding. As if to emphasize the bull talk, both Armour's and Leiter's men bought wheat to-day. Armour's movements are closely veiled, but Leiter's engineers make no secret of their dealings in May wheat. Already that option is regarded as being dangerous for the public to handle.

"May wheat is a long shot," is the answer given by commission men when approached by customers. The winter wheat crop in this country is not harvested until July, and, according to the forecastors on 'Change, the situation has never been so favorable for a corner in May wheat as it will be this season. Everywhere the price of May is on the rise, and the difference between May and December is being rapidly narrowed.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, price 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Present indications are that the December receipts of the Government will exceed the December expenditures, omitting from the Union Pacific railroad transaction.

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During the Holidays we will sell you one half gallon aquariam, 2 gold fish and one 25c bottle of either Cough Medicine or Liniment for 50c; or a tripod Aquariam, 2 gold fish and a 25c bottle of medicine for $1.00; or one gallon Aquariam with 4 gold fish, ornaments, pebbles and plants, for $1.50. Fish food 10c per box. Come in and see them. At

GREEN'S PHARMACY,
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Some Pointed Questions

Does your urine contain any sediment? Is the lower part of your back sore, weak and lame? Does your urine have a whitish, milky color? Is there a smarting or scalding sensation in passing it? Does it pain you to hold it? Do you desire to urinate often, especially at night?

If you have any of these symptoms, your Kidneys are diseased and your life is in danger. More people die of such disorders than are killed in wars.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is a direct and sure cure. It goes straight to the seat of diseases in the Kidneys, Bladder and Blood. It hunts out and drives from the system all the impurities that cause pain in the back, Stone in the Bladder, Bright's Disease, Urinary Troubles, and diseases of the Stomach and Liver. It acts at once. There is no long waiting to see if it will help.

"For years I suffered with my Kidneys," writes THOMAS QUACKENBUSH, of Pittsfield, Mass. "The pain in my back was so severe at times that I was obliged to keep to my bed. I suffered awfully when passing water, which was often discolored with blood. I tried almost everything in the shape of medicine, but nothing seemed to help me. One day I got a bottle of ***Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy*** and used it but a little while when it braced me right up. My back became all right, no pain at all; my water cleared up and passed from me without pain, and I grew better in every way. I consider it a great medicine, as it has done wonders for me. My wife uses it for female complaint, and thinks it's the finest medicine in the world."

Sample Bottle Free.

Every man and woman who reads this paper and is in need of medicine, is invited to send full postoffice address for a free trial bottle of ***Favorite Remedy*** to the DR. DAVID KENNEDY CORPORATION, Rondout, N. Y. Our offer is genuine, and the fact that it appears in this paper is a guarantee that the trial bottle will be sent prepaid. Don't delay in writing, and *mention this paper.*

A large bottle costs $1.00 at all drug stores.

DANIEL MYERS,
OF PENNSYLVANIA.
A Living Object Lesson for Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure.

HEART DISEASE is curable. "For over forty years," writes Daniel Myers of Two Taverns, Pa., on Aug. 10, 1896. "I suffered with heart disease. First a slight palpitation, gradually growing worse. Then shortness of breath, sleeplessness, smothering sensations and much pain in the region of the heart alarmed me and I consulted a physician. Receiving no benefit I tried others and a number of remedies, spending a large amount of money, but finally became so bad that it was unsafe for me to leave home. I commenced using Dr. Miles' Heart Cure two years ago. For eighteen months I have been well. Although 72 years of age I can go where I wish and I sleep all night and wake up as cheerful as a babe and completely rested."

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JOHN PATTON EXPIRES.

He Was Widely Known Throughout Central Pennsylvania.

HAD BEEN AILING SOME TIME

Went to Philadelphia Last September for Treatment—Had Been Seriously Ill for Ten Days Past.

BRIEF SKETCH OF HIS LIFE

Ex-Congressman John Patton, of Curwensville, who is well known in Bellefonte, died at the Aldine hotel, Thursday night. The following telegram was received Friday morning by a friend in this place :

PHILADELPHIA, DEC. 24.

Father died here tonight at 9:15. Funeral Tuesday next at Curwensville at 1:30 p. m. A. E. PATTON.

Deceased had been in poor health for a year past and went to Philadelphia last September for treatment. For the past ten days his death had been momentarily expected, and he passed away surrounded by his children, five sons and two daughters.

In the death of Hon. John Patton, not only Clearfield county but the State at large has lost one of its most eminent and useful citizens. Twice he represented this district in Congress. His career as a congressman was marked by a strict regard to the duty of his constituents, a faithful performance thereof, and a patriotic support of the government. He was not a politician in the present sense of the term. There was a nobility in his political life that seems now to be wanting in the present day politicians. He was not only a faithful congressman, he was one of the most influential citizens of this Commonwealth; and we may safely say the leading citizen of Clearfield county. A prominent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, he frequently represented that body in its general conference. He was a devoted husband, an affectionate father, and in the late years of his life, lived almost exclusively within the bosom of his family. We feel his loss even at this distance, and we know that it will be long before another will be found to take his position in society, and in the business affairs of his own county. We extend to his immediate family our warmest sympathies.

John Patton, of Curwensville, Clearfield county, Pa., was born in Tioga county on January 6, 1823. His parential grandfather, Colonel John Patton, was a member of Washington's bodyguard and a colonel of the Sixteenth additional continental regiment. Mr. Patton was well known in lumber and banking circles. He organized and became president of the First National bank of Curwensville, Pa., 1864, which was succeeded by the Curwensville bank, a private institution, of which Mr. Patton was president until his death.

Mr. Patton was a Henry Clay whig and in 1852 was a delegate to the national convention of the whig party at Baltimore, which nominated General Scott for the presidency. In 1860 he was a delegate to the Chicago convention which nominated Abraham Lincoln and in the same year was nominated and elected a member of the Thirty-seventh congress from the Twenty-fourth district of Pennsylvania, overcoming an adverse majority and likewise carrying the democratic county of Clearfield as a republican for the first time in its history. He was a warm personal friend of Lincoln.

In 1864 he was one of the Pennsylvania electors when Lincoln was re-elected and it was on his motion that all the pay, mileage, etc., of the electoral college was dedicated to the United States Christian commission in aid of the suffering soldiers. During that year Mr. Patton made an individual contribution of $5,000 to the Christian commission.

He was elected a member of the Fiftieth Congress in 1866, overcoming a democratic majority of nearly 3,000, and then representing the twenty-eighth district of Pennsylvania. In 1876 he was elected as one of the board of finance of the centennial exhibition.

Mr. Patton early in life united with the Methodist Episcopal church He was a delegate to the ecumenical conference at Washington, D. C., and twice served as a delegate to the general conference of the church. He served as a director of Dickinson seminary, a trustee of Dickinson college, and also of the Drew theological seminary and the American university at Washington. He gave a fund of $10,000 to the church extension society for the building of churches upon the big frontiers, and donated thousands of dollars to colleges and to schools. During 1882 Mr. Patton's contributions for educational purposes amounted to over $40,000.

He was married in 1847 to Miss C. M. Ennis, of Hollidaysburg, who died in 1855, leaving three sons and a daughter. In 1858 he was married to Miss H. J. Foley, of Clearfield. He leaves a family of seven children, five sons and two daughters. Ex-United States Senator John Patton, Jr., is a lawyer at Grand Rapids, Mich; his next son, A. F. Patton, is cashier of the Curwensville and president of the First National bank of Patton, Pa.; his other three sons, W. F., Charles E. and T. G., are engaged in merchandise and coal.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

A Pretty Wedding.

Wednesday evening promptly at 7 p. m at the home of Mr. James Weagley on East Howard street a pretty wedding took place which united in marriage. Miss Mable From daughter of Mrs. Kate From and Mr. Shem Hackenburg of Millheim. Miss Alice Ripka of Tusseyville, acted as bridesmaid and Mr. Chas Sheasley of Jacksonville as best man. There were not many guests present only the bride and grooms immediate friends, the gifts received were useful and handsome. After a short wedding tour, this happy couple will go to housekeeping at Millheim.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

This Man is Dead.

SHAMOKIN, Dec. 21.—William McNamra died today from the bullet sent through his left lung on Friday morning last by James Chainey. Chainey, who broke a leg in trying to escape, will be committed for murder as soon as he can be removed.

For Croup,

asthma, bronchitis, or whooping cough, there is no remedy so sure and safe as Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. From the first dose its healing influence is manifest. The sufferer who has been kept awake by the cough falls into a restful sleep, and awakes strong and refreshed. Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is acknowledged to be a specific for all pulmonary complaints. Physicians praise and prescribe it.

It is now put up in half size bottles at half price, 50c.

"One of my children had croup. One night I was startled by the child's hard breathing, and on going to it found it strangling. It had nearly ceased to breath. Having a part of a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in the house, I gave the child three doses at short intervals, and anxiously waited results. From the moment the Pectoral was given the child's breathing grew easier, and in a short time it was sleeping quietly and breathing naturally. The child is alive and well to-day. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral saved its life."—C. J. WOOLDRIGE, Worthen, Texas.

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AN AGED LADY'S DEATH.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rote Died Thursday Morning While Sitting at the Breakfast Table.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rote, an aged widow lady residing in Coleville, died this morning at ten minutes past nine while sitting at the breafast table. She had just sat down to breakfast and her daughter Harriet had gone to the cellar for bread. When she returned she saw her mother with head bent forward; she spoke to her, but failing to get an answer went to her and on lifting her head up found she was dead.

The deceased was the widow of the late Peter Rote who died in 1876. She was born at Woodward, Centre county, January 5th, 1805. Had she lived until the 5th of next January she would have been ninety-three years old,

Three children survive the loss of a kind and loving mother. They are Jas. Rote, of Coleville; Mrs. George Cox, of Half-Moon hill; Miss Sallie Herrington, of Altoona, and Miss Harriet Rote, who resided with her mother in Coleville.

Mother Rote, as she was affectionately called, was a kind Christian lady, a member of the United Brethern church and loved and respected by all who knew her. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

The funeral took place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the United Brethern church. Interment in Union cemetery.

Get Instant Relief from Piles.

This most irritating disease relieved in ten minutes by using Dr. Agnew's Ointment, and a cure in from three to six nights. Thousands testify of its goodness. Good for Eczema, Salt Rheum, and all skin diseases. If you are without faith, one application will convince. 35 cents. —59.

Sold by J. N. & S. Krumrine.

Mrs Sidney Krumrine Entertains.

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Krumrine gave a progressive euchre at which quite a number of their friends were present. W. Harrison Walker was the lucky gentleman who took the gentleman's prize, and Miss Snook took the ladies prize. Elegant refreshments were served and everyone present had a splendid time.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Quite a Surprise.

Thursday morning Mr. John Bryan mail porter received from the mail carriers and the other post office officials a very pretty pair of eye glasses enclosed in a beautiful red case. John is an old soldier and is certainly well deserving of such a useful and handsome gift. Now since these men have been thoughtful to John, we wonder how many people will remember them, on Xmas.

Dig down to the *cause* of your sickness, if you want to get well and stay well, Most likely it's indigestion. The irritating poisons of fermenting, putrid food, left in the stomach by indigestion, cause headache, neuralgia, nervousness, dizziness, stomachache, nausea, irritability, and all the other well-known symptoms of indigestion.

They also couse many pains and disorders which are often laid to other causes and hence are not easily cured. But as soon as the poisons are *removed*, all these symptoms and disorders *disappear*, because there is nothing left to cause them. Nothing succeeds in this like Shaker Digestive Cordial, because it *prevents* the undigested food from fermenting in the stomach and *helps* the stomach to digest its food.

Sold by druggists, price 10 cents to $1.00 per bottle.

Thinks He is Selling Books.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 21.—There will be no more dragging the river for the body of the missing Rev. Samuel Spurrier, of Bainbridge, for the reason that Chief Westen is in possession of information which leads him to abandon the suicide and foul play theories and inaugurate a search for a live man, as he believes. He would not disclose his information, but said he expects to clear up the mystery soon.

"I have reason to believe," said he, "that Spurrier wandered away for no other purpose than to find a more ready sale for his subscription books elsewhere. He may be out of range of the newspapers and totally oblivious of the sensation which his disappearance has created. It is barely possible that he became mentally unbalanced and was in this condition when seen along the river bank at Front and Reilly streets last Thursday evening, subsequently wandering off without his satchel."

A CHRISTMAS GREETING.

Was Given in Honor of Centre County's Oldest Resident.

A grand Christmas greeting was gotten up for Centre county's oldest, resident, Mrs. Nancy J. Barger, of Boggs township, who, on the 17th of last September, passed her 105th anniversary mark. Mrs. Barger, who is not only the oldest person in this county but perhaps in the state, is yet in the best of health. She is generally termed "hale and hearty," inasmuch as she does the daily housework for herself and son, the latter now past 76 years of age, and whom she calls "her baby boy". The two, mother and son, occupy one of the primitive farms among the ridges close to the foot hills of the Alleghenies, the original location chosen by the centenarian's husband when he emigrated to this locality from Cumberland county more than three-quarters of a century ago. A log house of four rooms and a log barn are all the buildings on the premises. But, through the exterior bears such a primitive appearance, the interior of the house though somewhat cramped for space, is as neat and tidy, well furnished and kept as if the work were being done by the hands of youth, instead of by a woman 105 years old. For a number of years Mrs. Barger had very poor sight, but now she has received her second sight, and has discarded the use of glasses altogether. Mrs. Barger, being a moderate pipe smoker, puts forth no claim for her long lease of life, merely stating that she has always been in the best of health, and even now at her advanced age does not feel the burden of life as many women of fifty do.

Five years ago last September Mrs. Barger's neighbors and friends gathered at her home and celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of her birth. At that time the venerable ex-Governor Curtin was among those present, and Dr. George L. Potter post Grand Army of the Republic, presented Mrs. Barger with a comfortable Morris chair. And now, that five more years have passed and the lady not only survives but gives promise of rounding out another five years, another gathering was held at her home last Saturday, Christmas day, and all the oldest people for miles around were invited to be present on that occasion. An equal number of quite young people were present, the gathering represented as far as possible the early morn and fast-falling night time of life.

One of Two Ways

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

CHIEF CAUSE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kidneys is the chief cause of bladder troubles. So the womb, like the bladder, was created for one purpose, and if not doctored too much is not liable to weakness or disease, except in rare cases. It is situated back of and very close to the bladder, therefore any pain, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort, The error is easily made and may be as easily avoided. To find out correctly, set your urine aside for twenty four hours; a sediment or settling indicates kidney or bladder trouble, The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kinney, and bladder remedy is soon realized. If you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggists fifty cents and one doller. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail. Mention REPUBLICAN and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghampton N. Y. the proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

President McKinley speaks in hopeful terms, in his message, of the prospects regarding reciprocity treaties with European and American countries. He expresses the belief that "by a careful exercise of the powers conferred by the recent tariff set some grievances of our own and other countries, in our mutual trade relations, may be either removed or largely eliminated and the volume of our commercial exchanges enlarged with advantage to both contracting parties."

The man with a weight on his leg can't hope to win in the race. A man with a weight on his health can't expect to compete in life and business with those who are not handicapped. If his brain is heavy, and his blood sluggish, because of constipation, he will not succeed in doing anything very well. Constipation is the cause of nine-tenths of all sickness. Symptoms of it are sallowness, listlessness, poor appetite, bad taste in the mouth, dizziness, biliousness, and lassitude. Constipation can be cured easily and certainly by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They are not at all violent in their action, and yet they are more certain than many medicines which are so strong that they put the system all out of order. The great advantage of the "Pleasant Pellets" is that they cure permanently.

Send 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only, and get his great book, The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, absolutely FREE. Address World's Dispensary Medical Association, No. 663 Main Street Buffalo, N. Y,

SHREWD SCHEME.

The "Spanish Officer Tells His Tale of Woe.

Williamsport *News*: for some weeks past a shrewd swindler has been operating upon those whom he thought would nibble at the bait. His letters have turned up in several parts of the country. He professes to have been a Spanish officer and deserted with a large sum of money, which he afterwards buried in this country just prior to his being captured and put in the military prison at Barcelona. This money he very generously offers to share with the party to whom he writes, provided that party will advance $1,000 for the purpose of redeeming the trunk which contains the drawings of the spot and will act as guardian for his daughter.

Today the *News* learned that J. Basanta as the swindler signs himself, has tried for at least one victim in this city. The money this time is buried within a few miles of Williamsport and will be divided very generously. The usual two letters have both been received, the *News* secured them upon promise that the name of the gentleman to whom they were sent be not made public. Both letters, the forged prison certificate, the bill of the ladies' school and a newspaper clipping telling of the arrest of the ex officer form an exhibit of interest which can be seen by calling at the office.

The envelopes were mailed at Barcelona, Spain, and bear the Spanish postage stamps. The address to which the $1.000 is to be sent is Francisco Lapiana, Lista Correos, Gerona, Spain. The writing on the envelopes is of a decidely foreign character, but that in the letter is not only foreign, but the langugage used in expressing himself stamps him as not being a foreigner.

Actors, Singers. Talkers.

Are all more or less subject to bad throat hoarseness, tonsilitis, and catarrh. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder never disappoints, "I can but proclaim Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder a wonderful medicine for actors, singers, and public speakers. Myself and my wife are both subjects of tonsilitis and catarrh. We have tried everything, but have never found anything to equal this great remedy, for quick action it certainly is a wonder worker. I would not be without it and highly recommend it to my brother professionals. —Al. Emmett Fostell, New York City.—58.

Sold by J. N, & S. Krumrine.

A Slick Rascal.

A swindler has been operating among Roman Catholic girls in Williamsport. As an inducement for his victim to purchase a certain publication the man offered a prayer book for the low price of one dollar as a premium. All subscribing to the publication paid fifty cents on the book also, the remaining fifty cents to be paid when the book was received. The man succeeded in getting fifty cents from each of over 100 victims and they are still waiting for the book and the publication

Chairman Mott Issues a Bulletin.

BALTIMORE, December 23.—Albert Mott, chairman of the League of American Wheelmen racing board, has issued the following special bulletin:

A hearing relating to matters connected with the six-day race at Madison Square Garden will be held at the Grand Union hotel in New York at 11 o'clock on the morning of Saturday, December 25. The hearing will be private, and witnesses are assured that their testimony will be treated as confidentially as has been the custom of past racing boards, and is with this, The board cannot, like a court, compel the attendance of witnesses, and those who will give evidence are promised that the board will not blockade all its channels of information for the future by departing from the usual course. This should be apparent to every prospective witness. All persons who have any evidence of facts which they know of their own knowledge are appealed to present themselves and give them to the board. The investigation has been proceeding for some time and such documentary evidence is in the possession of the members for the district and the chairman and the identity of all who are concerned is believed to be known. It would, therefore, be best for the interests of those concerned that they should attend and testify.

Widows' Pension Claims.

In a recent pension decision Assistant Secretary Davis, of the interior department, promulgates the important ruling that there shall be no limit to the time in which a widow may file an appeal in completing her deceased husband's claim. The assistant secretary holds that the question whether the soldier was entitled to a pension is not settled finally by the adverse decision of the pension bureau, but the secretary of the interior has a right to pass upon the question. The widow's right to prosecute the case to a final adjudication and to appeal from the adverse action of the pension bureau is conceded. No just reason, he says, appears for limiting the time for filing such appeal by the person who succeeds to the rights of the orignal claimant. This decision overrules those of the department made in a number of cases in past years.

—Bellefonte Republican and New York Tribune one year for $1.50 in advance.

Modern Treatment of

Consumption

The latest work on the treatment of diseases, written by forty eminent American physicians, says: "Cod-liver oil has done more for the consumptive than all other remedies put together." It also says: "The hypophosphites of lime and soda are regarded by many English observers as specifics for consumption."

Scott's Emulsion

contains the best cod-liver oil in a partially digested form, combined with the *Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda*. This remedy, a standard for a quarter of a century, is in exact accord with the latest views of the medical profession. Be sure you get SCOTT'S Emulsion.

All druggists; 50c. and $1.00.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

Belligerent Turkey Shooters.

People five miles north of Howard on Marsh Creek, following the ancient customs of that locality, the other day had a "turkey shoot," which ended in a riot. James Lyman was selected as "board tender." The last two shots were so close that it was hard to decide which won and it was refered to Lyman to decide, which he did in favor of John Knarr. As soon as the decision was announced some six or seven commenced to stone the referee. Harry Weaver was hit on the head, rendering him unconscious for more than an hour, while several others were more or less injured, there being about 12 persons engaged in the riot. The level-headed persons present interferred and got the riot stopped, and the wounded taken to Howard for surgical treatment.—Grit.

Advertise in The Bellefonte Republican.

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Women's Handkerchiefs.

We have about 30,000 Handkerchiefs, divided into nine hundred and fifty-two different styles, especially selected and imported for the holiday business. We do not think that goods like these were ever offered at such low prices before.

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Plain white and fancy colored borders, put up in quarter and half dozens in neat little imported boxes.

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We have 800 dozen of Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in 52 different designs, lace-edged, scalloped-edged, open work-edged, and hemstitched embroidered. We have never known these goods to be sold before for less than 25c each. We sell them at

18c each, 3 for 50c.

We have cheaper lines of handkerchiefs, but particularly pretty ones, at

10 and 12½c each.

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Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, with hand-embroidered initial, of a grade of linen and workmanship seldom if ever seen at the price,

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10c each.

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Here are 52 new patterns in Women's sheer linen handkerchiefs, with fancy edges, trimmed with lace and insertion,

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We have a line of linen handkerchiefs trimed with real Duchesse lace which you will not find elsewhere. We sell them at

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Other French and Convent worked embroidered and lace handkerchiefs, up to $25.00 each.

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Correspondents should write upon but one side of the paper and avoid the use of pale or fancy inks.

EDWARD T. TUTEN.

Local Department.

This is a Republican Christmas.

—The mission of Hood's Sarsaparilla is to cure disease, and thousands of testimonials proves it fulfills its mission well

—Mr. Al Diehl has moved his family from Lamb street into one side of R. J. Schad & Bros. double house on Thomas street.

—Dr. W. B. Runkle, formerly of Spring Mills, died at his home in Philadelphia Saturday afternoon. His remains were brought to Spring Mills Tuesday for burial.

—Mr. Charles Atherton, of State College, furnished the music for the dance given by Miss Minnie Brew, Wednesday evening.

—Half the ills that man is heir to come from indigestion. Burdock Blood Bitters strengthens and tones the stomach; makes indigestion impossible.

—The beautiful lamp shade that was chanced off by Miss Barrett on Saturday was given to Mr. John Bullock.

—We are sorry to note that Francis Speer is confined to his home with the la grippe. We hope he may soon be around again.

—The limestone quarries of A. G. Morris, at Salona, have again been started up on full time, with orders sufficient ahead to keep them running 10 hours a day for several months.

—Accidents come with distressing frekquency on the farm. Cuts, bruises, stings sprains. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil relieves the pain instantly. Never safe without it.

—Little Arthur Haupt, son of Henry Haupt, who was run over the other day and very seriously injured while out coasting, is reported to be much better today.

—Miss Bertha Noll, who has been in the hospital for the last two months in Philadelphia accompanied her father home, on Friday night. Miss Bertha is quite well again.

—The young men are now selling tickets for the Logan Ball which will take place Friday evening. Now whether you want to go to the ball or not, buy a ticket, and show them you appreciate their services.

—"I had a running itching sore on my leg. Suffered tortures. Doan's Ointment took away the burning and it ching instantly, and quickly effected permanent cure." C. W. Lenhart, Bowling Green, O.

—Grocer G. W. Rees has one of the finest window displays of any merchant in town. In one of the windows beautiful candies and fruits are displayed and in the other lovely green potted plants bid defiance to Jack Frost. They catch the eye of every passer-by.

—It's the little cold that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds, Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

—The venerable Joseph Twitmire, father of Wilbur T. Twitmire, while passing from one room to another at his home Monday afternoon, fell down a flight of stairs, striking a door at the bottom with his head. He was picked up unconscious but soon recovered. He is now all right and does not seem any the worse for his injury.

—On Saturday night when Martin Morrison was going home to supper he slipped and fell at the corner of John McGinley's cigar store cutting an ugly gash in his forehead and rendering him unconscious for several hours. He is getting along nicely at this writing.

—Mr. G. W. Watson of Milesburg who brakes on the Snow Shoe train, met with a painful accident on Friday afternoon. He was standing near the air brake with his arm resting on the wheel, when all at once the wheel whirled around and twisted his arm all up, breaking it just below the elbow. He was brought to Bellefonte and Dr. Harris properly attended him.

—James Summers, who drives one of R. B. Taylor's coal wagons, met with quite a serious accident Tuesday morning. He was preparing to unload some coal at the steam heat works and in climbing over the back part of the wagon his foot slipped and he was thrown to the ground, a large lump of coal falling on him. He was taken to his home and medical attendance summoned. An examination was made and it was found that no bones were broken but he is injured internally. While his injuries are not fatal yet they are of a very serious nature and will keep him confined to the house for some time.

The Republican pledge of the annexation of Hawaii is being redeemed. The apparent opposition to annexation which developed in the newspaper reports from Washington, soon after the meeting of Congress, seems to dissolve into thin air when examined. It is probable that the President's recommendations, which are in line with the policy of his party and his Republican predecessor, President Harrison, will be complied with. It is evident that the people have been heard from on this proposition and that Congress, finding that they want the pledges of the Republican party redeemed, will hesitate no longer.

—According to the schedule issued from the headquarters of the second brigade N. G. P., Sheridan Troop will be inspected on the 28th of March next, and the several companies of the Fifth regiment will be inspected as follows: Company G, Lewistown, Feb. 14; Company A, Huntingdon, Feb. 15; Company B, Bellefonte, Feb. 16; Company C, Hollidaysburg, Feb. 17; Company E, Clearfield, Feb. 21; Company H, Johnstown, Feb. 23; Company F, Indiana, Feb. 24; Company D Blairsville, Feb. 24.

—The twenty-eighth annual dress ball of Logan Steam Fire company, No. 1, will be given in Armory hall, corner of Spring and Lambstreets, Bellefonte, Friday evening, Dec. 31. There will be 24 dances. This company has been making great preparations for the occasion, and the ball promises to be one of the best that ever came off in this place. The Logan's annual balls have heretofore been noted for their brilliancy and good cheer, and the citizens knowing that fact, and the worth of fire companies to the place, always patronize firemen's balls. The Committee of Management is a guarantee of an enjoyable time, which is composed of George Cunningham, chairman; Harry Gehret, Michael Shields, and John Knisely.

MAUD MILLER DEAD.

Peacefully Passes Away on Sabbath Day.

On Sunday morning about twenty minutes after eleven the beautiful bright life of Maud Miller passed into eternity. She was a young lady who was always active and full of life when she was well enough. She had just entered her twenties. She has been suffering from the disease she died with for a number of years, and when the end came she told her mother that she wanted to go; that she knew her sufferings would be ended over there. What a happy thought that was; and what a comfort it must be to her mother and father to know that she has gone to a brighter home above.

Beaulah Maud Miller was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller. She leaves to mourn her loss her parents and two sisters and one brother, namely, Myrtle, Edna and Roland.

She was born in Reedsville, Mifflin county, December 20, 1874, and died December 26, 1897, making her age 23 years and 6 days. The cause of her death was due to kidney troubles.

The funeral of Miss Beaulah Maud Miller took place Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Her remains were taken from her home in the Hale building to the Methodist church where solemn and affecting services were conducted by Rev. King, of Milesburg.

There were many beautiful floral tributes and the attendance of sorrowing friends was quite large. The pall bearers were Messrs. Harry Garbrick, Loyd Smith, John Guiswite, Joseph Gessner, Edward Rine and Charles Rote. Interment was made at Meyer's cemetery at Buffalo Run.

This paper extends its sympathy to these parents, brother and sisters.

LAID IN THE TOMB.

Last Sad Rites Over the Remains of The late Calvin Brachbill.

The funeral of the late J. Calvin Brachbill took place Friday at 10:30 o'clock from his residence on North Penn street.

There was a large attendance of sorrowing friends and relatives gathered there to pay a last tribute of respect to the dear departed. The floral offerings were very profuse and beautiful. The services were conducted by Rev. W. A. Stephens of the Methodist church and Rev. William Laurie of the Presbyterian.

The following ladies and gentlemen composed the choir: Mrs. S. D. Ray, Miss Ella Johnston, Mrs. Jacob Smith, and Messrs. M. Johnston Morton Smith and Jacob Smith. "Jesus Lover of my Soul." 'Abide With Me," and "I would not, Live Always" favorite pieces of the deceased were rendered in a sweet and touching manner.

The pall-bearers were Henry Brockerhoff, H. H. Harshberger, W. I. Fleming, Charles Cook, Mitchel Lieb, Cheney Hicklen, W. T. Twitmire and M. I. Gardiner. The interment was made in the Union cemetery. The funeral was under the charge of undertaker Henry Harris.

LIKE JACOB OF OLD.

Family Gathering at the Home of the Venerable James Hamilton.

One of the oldest and most respected citizens of Bellefonte is the venerable James Hamilton of Willowbank street, who on next April will be 94 years old.

Mr. Hamilton is always anxious to do something for his family to make them happy, and so on Christmas he invited all his children and grand-children and other immediate members of his family to spend the day with him and his hospitable wife A splendid dinner was prepared which was enjoyed by all present and the day passed very pleasantly. There were present five children and eight grand-children. There were also present at this gathering five members of this remarkable family whose aggregate age is 414 years. They are Mrs. Mary Griff, Mrs. Sarah Williams, Thomas Waddle, of Jersey Shore, and Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton

Mr. Hamilton also gave his wife and each of his children and grand-children a present of money which amounted in all to $170.00. Mr. Hamilton owns two large farms and this year his crops have been larger than ever before, and like Jacob of old he thought as the Lord had blessed him so abundantly he would try and make others happy. May he live to have many happy returns of this day.

REMEMBER THE POOR.

Contributions of Coal, Flour, Groceries, Clothing Etc., Solicited by the W. C. T. U.

Merry Christmas has come and gone. Gifts have been bestowed with lavish hands in the homes of the rich and well-to-do; and the children have had their Xmas trees in all their gorgeous beauty, laden with toys which have gladdened their hearts. In some homes, however, there was no Christmas feast; not a shovel of coal, not a loaf of bread, not a toy or Christmas treat of any kind to remind the children of the day when "He who came to give good gifts unto men" was born a little child upon the earth, and when the angels sang together for joy. Into one of these homes were nine children, and left for the generosity of neighbors almost as poor as themselves, no dinner of even the plainest fare would have been provided. But the poor know how to sympathize with each other and how to be generous with the little they have. In another home were little children barefooted and thinly clad. A generous laboring man had, however, provided their family with dinner. These are only two out of numerous cases; and the poverty in these two cases has not come from the squandering of the meagre wages, when they had work, but from lack of steady employment and living wages during that time. These our poor brothers and they are in our own immediate neighborhood. And so we come to you, who have had your merry Xmas, and ask you out of your abundance to give towards a New Year's donation for those who have not been blessed with the gifts and good cheer of Christmas day. We ask you to give coal, flour, groceries, clothing, shoes, etc., and to give liberally, for the good Book says, "Blessed is he that remembereth the poor."

The rooms of the W. C. T. U. will be kept open all of to-day, from 10 a. m. until 3 p. m., and a generous response will bring joy to your own life as well as to those who receive your gifts.

Funeral of Hon. John Patton.

The funeral of Hon. John Patton took place at Curwensville Tuesday afternoon. In accordance with a proclamation by the Chief Burgess all places of business were closed in Curwensville during the funeral service and a citizens' memorial meeting was held in the academy of music after the services.

Another Would-Be Suicide.

At Williamsport Sunday night Sophia Rupert attempted suicide by swallowing sugar of lead and blue vitrol. A physician administered emetics and she will recover. The woman and her husband had been on a spree, during which they fought, and she received the worst of the encounter. She then swallowed the drugs.

Met With an Accident.

When Mrs. F. H. Thomas was coming down the stairs on Sunday morning she fell and sprained several muscles in her body, but no bones were broken as was reported, although she is suffering a great deal of pain and is confined to her bed.

Met With an Accident.

Monday noon while Edward Klinger was operating a red hot piece of steel a small bit flew up and struck him in the eye He was immediately brought into Dr. Robt Hayes office and the injured eye was properly attended to. So he will not loose the sight of it.

Mysterious Mountain Dwellers.

Central Bald Eagle Valley residents are very much exercised over the mysterious actions of three strangers, who have apparently made their rendezvous somewhere in the foothills of the Alleghenies. They go armed, dwell in unknown haunts among the rocks, and when compelled to go to town, go singly and quietly. It is not known what their object is, unless they are hunting the $50,000 buried treasure which tradition says was concealed in the mountains early in the century.

PERSONAL PENCILINGS.

Thomas Greninger sent Saturday and Sunday in Howard.

Mr. Thomas Shaughensy spent his Christmas in Altoona.

Bruce Garman transacted business in Lock Haven last Friday.

John Furst, of Williamsport spent Saturday and Sunday in Bellefonte.

John Morgan left Monday afternoon for Woodland Pa.

Emory Beals, of Bellefonte, transacted business in Williamsport Thursday.

Clement Dale Esq., transacted business in Lock Haven Tuesday.

Mr. Woods Sebring is shaking hands with his many friends in Bellefonte.

Fred Kurtz Sr., of Centre Hall, transacted business in town Wednesday

S. S. Blair, of Tyrone, transacted business in town Wednesday.

Dr. Charles S. Musser, of Aaronsburg, transacted business in Bellefonte.

Mr. Fred Blanchard who is attending Princeton is at home until after the Holidays.

Mr. Frank Williams, wife and children, spent Christmas in Altoona as the guests of Mrs. William's parents.

W. E. Hartsock, of Buffalo Run, is spending the holidays with his sister Mrs. Ed Stephens of Altoona.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lillie, of Lewisburg, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Olewine.

Rev. C. C. Miller, of Bellewood, is shaking hands with his many friends in Bellefonte.

Mrs. Lydia Meyers, mother of Mr. Calvin Meyers, spent Christmas in Bellefonte at his lovely home on Curtin street.

Mr. John Harris and wife, of Tyrone, spent Xmas with Mr. Harris' parents in Bellefonte.

Mr. Ralph Mann, of Lewistown, spent Christmas with his parents on Allegheny street.

Harry Fitzgerald, of Fittsburg, arrived home Friday night and remained over Sunday with his parents in Bellefonte.

Wallace Reeder, who is attending school at Bustleton, near Philadelphia, spent his Christmas in Bellefonte,

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Irvin, of Tyrone, spent Saturday and Sunday in Bellefonte as the guest of Mr, Louis Irvin.

Dr. Joseph Brockerhoff, of Pittsburg, spent Christmas with his mother in Bellefonte.

W. Harrison Walker Esq., spent Christmas and the Sabbath day in Philipsburg.

Mr. Chas. Steck of Shamokin, son of Rev. Steck who formerly preached in Bellefonte, is a guest at the Garman House.

Mr. Clayton Rote, of Coleville, who has been suffering with the mumps for some time past, is now on the road to recovery.

Messrs. Edmund Blanchard and Edward Harris are home from U. P. to spend the holiday with their parents.

Mrs. Lydia Gibson, oldest daughter of Mr. Isaac Thomas on Thomas Street, is quite ill at her home with bronchitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Quigley left Friday afternoon for Williamsport where they spent Christmas with Mrs. Quigleys brother.

Mr. Allen Rumberger, who use to be one of the boys of Bellefonte but now of Philadelphia, spent Christmas with his parents in this place.

Edward Hoy arrived in Bellefonte Thursday night from Philadelphia to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs, Louise Hoy.

Mr. Reuben Spangler and wife of Hastings spent Saturday and Sunday in Bellefonte as the guests of Col. J. L. Spangler and wife.

Mr, and Mrs. Cleveland Dinges, of Williamsport are guest at Mrs. Dinges parents Mr, and Mrs. F. Potts Green on Linn St.

Mrs. Aaron Richie and son Emory, of Hollidaysburg, spend Christmas in Bellefonte as the guests of Mrs. Bosner and son Roy.

Mr. William Furst, one of the most promising young attorneys in Philadelphia, spent Saturday and Sunday in Bellefonte.

Mr. Ned Thompson, of Milroy is a guest at the home of Mr. Frank Naginey. Mr. Thompson is a student at the Chambersburg seminary and is having his vacation at this time.

Mrs. Wagner, mother of Mrs. Jack Spangler and Mrs. Harris of Curtin street fell and sprained her ankle very badly. So much as to confine her to her room.

Mr. Chas. Shanbacher, former proprietor of the Brockerhoff House, and who will soon have charge of the Irvin House in Lock Haven, left Bellefonte on Saturday night for his home at Ridgway.

Mr. John Pearl, who is traveling for the Maloys of Williamsport, spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother and sisters. John is just the same as ever, and was heartily welcomed by his many friends.

"Si" Grenninger was in town over Christmas, and oh what a sport he was! He didn't get here until after dinner, and the boys all met him at the train, with a brass band and two carriages. He carried his wardrobe in a black hand-trunk.

Hamilton Otto, the tobacconist, is confined to his home with illness.

Henry Lyons of Lancaster, is shaking hands with his many friends in Bellefonte.

John Granquist, of Philipsburg, spent Christmas in this place, and says he had a pleasant visit.

Mr. W. A. Bartley, of Boston, Mass., is a guest at the home of his father David Bartley, on Willowbank St.

Harry Fenlon, the popular clerk at the Bush House, returned Wednesday, from a weeks visit to his fathers home in Ebensburg.

Miss Margaret Wolf and Mrs. Jennie Brown both of Jersey Shore are guests at the home of Mrs. Louisa Bush in this place.

The Philipsburg *Journal* has the following to say of our fellow townsmen. W. Harrison Walker, Esq., the junior member of the law firm of Fortney and Walker, Bellefonte, is a business visitor to our town today. He is one of Centre county's most promising young attorneys, and a better fellow it is difficult to find. We are always glad to meet you, Mr. Walker.

JOINED IN HAPPY WEDLOCK.

J. Raymond Morgan Marries Emma N. Kuhn of Bellefonte.

A very pretty wedding took place at Centre Hall last Thursday, Dec. 23rd. The contracting parties were Mr. Louis Raymond Morgan, son of Frank Morgan, of State College, and Miss Emma Nora Kuhn, sister of W. P. Kuhn, of Bellefonte. The ceremony took place at Edge Wood Place, Centre Hall, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Sylvester W. Smith. At its conclusion the happy couple started on a wedding tour.

The bride is one of Bellefonte's most charming young ladies, and the groom is a very promising young man and a graduate of State College. He is now assistant postmaster at State College. They have announced to their friends that they will be at home after January 1st at State College.

This paper joins with the many friends in wishing this happy couple a blissful and prosperous wedded life.

A Fortune From Uncle Sam.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—A pension has been granted to the widow of Knud Knudsen, a soldier in the late war, the back pay of which aggregates between $4,000 and $5,000. The man is a native of Norway, and was married to the woman who now gets the pension in April, 1858. Knudsen emigrated to this country in 1861, enlisted January 27, 1862, in Company H, Fifteenth regiment, Wisconsin Volunteer infantry, and died in the service Oct. 16, 1863. Under the law of June 7, 1888, a widow's pension must date from her husband's death. Consequently 31 years after Knudsen's death, his widow, who has never left Norway, and who did not apply for a pension until August 31, 1894, secured what is to her large wealth.

Slipped on the Icy Pavements.

The citizens of our town cannot be to careful about removing the ice from their pavements as the following accident will testify.

Thursday evening Miss Maggie Miles, daughter of Ex-County Treasurer John Q. Miles, while walking down High street about half past six, slipped and fell on the icy pavement breaking her right arm. She was taken home and medical attendance was summoned.

Skating at Hecla.

The lake at Hecla Park is frozen over and excellent skating can be had there. The Central R. R. of Pa. will have excursion rates this afternoon and evening. 25 cents round trip. Trains leave at 3:45 and 7:45 p. m.

An Oil Stove Exploded.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The explosion of an oil stove used for heating purposes in the office of Barwise & Son, dealers in teas and coffees today, caused a fire which consumed over $40,000 worth of property. The building, which is a five story brick, is occupied by H. T. Webb & Bro., gaugers and inspectors; Dannenburg & Son, dealers in teas and coffees, and Barwise & Son.

Party lines disappear among business men when attacks are made upon national finances. This was exemplified in the recent meeting of the National Board of Trade in Washington. That organization is made up of men from all the old parties, and at its meeting resolutions were adopted favoring the maintenance of all of our currency upon the gold basis.

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In Cupid's Net.

The following marriage licenses were issued by Register Geo. W. Rumbarger during the past week:

David A Solly of Harrisburg, Va., and Mary M. Kreamer of Centre Hall.

Shem Hackenberg of Millheim, and Mabel A. From, of Bellefonte.

Martin Luther and Annie Smolka, both of Clarence, Pa.

John Gross of Patton township, and Jennie Ralston, of College township.

Edward W. Castleberry of Howard twp., and Bella Young of Boggs twp.

Jonas Emmel of Spring twp., and Effie Wilson of Milesburg.

Oscar N. Royer of Madisonburg, and Elena Sheets of Wolfs Store.

Wm. H. Austin of Milesburg, and Minnie M. Way of Blanchard.

George E. McClincy and Blanche Pownell, both of Boggs township.

Moses Hill and Rachel Deihl, both of Needmore, Fulton Co., Pa.

Paul Sarkang and Katie Kocrick, both of Clarence, Pa.

Andy Gaki and Mary Kraiayek, both of Clarence, Pa.

To Preserve the Plant.

PITTSBURG, December 24.—An order was made in common pleas court No. 2 to-day authorizing the Pittsburg Trust company, receiver for the Natalie Anthracite Coal company to issue $30,000 worth of certificates for the preservation of the plant of the company, which has an estimated value of $2,000,000. The certificates are to be issued as needed during the next six months, providing a sale is not made of the property before that time. Judge J. W. F. White, in in commenting upon the matter when the petition for the order to issue the certificates was presented to the court, said he thought a sale was advisable. Attorney D. T. Watson, who with J. Ross Sterrett, represents the complainants in the equity suit brought by the Third National bank, of Pittsburg, and D. Herbert Hostetter, told the court that the receiver's certificates would be taken by the bondholders and that an application would be made soon to have the property sold.

A Card of Thanks.

We, the girls of the Bellefonte Telephone exchange, wish through the columns of the REPUBLICAN to extend our thanks to our patrons and friends who so kindly and generously remembered us on Christmas day. We also wish to especially thank Mr. James Harris, who arranged this pleasant surprise for us. In the future as in the past we hope to serve all the patrons of the exchange promptly and courteously and will close by wishing them all a happy New Year.

In a Hurry to Get Off.

The Lock Haven Democrat of Dec. 28th, says: Tuesday evening as the Bald Eagle Valley railroad train was approaching the P. & E. station, a passenger named Blackwell, of Bellefonte, went out on the platform, and his feet slipping he fell off the train. The side of his face was badly bruised. Baggage Master Gibb gave him the necessary attention.

To Transform Soft Coal to Hard.

A Minneapolis man has patented an invention in the United States, England, France, Germany, Australia and Belgium, by which he claims to be able to transform soft coal to a superior quality of hard coal. The inventor claims that from a single ton of soft coal, 1,300 pounds of the finest hard coal, 300 pounds of tar and from 6,000 to 9,000 feet of gas, besides ammonia, can be obtained.

Oyster Supper.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Evangelical church, of Nittany, will hold an oyster supper at Robert Tate's on New Year's Eve. All are invited to attend.

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